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# THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD FOR IRELAND,

BEING

THE FIRST REPORT UNDER "THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD (IRELAND) ACT," 35 & 36 VIC., c. 109;

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#### APPENDICES.

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THE FIRST REPORT UNDER "THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD (IRELAND) ACT," 35 & 36 VIC., CAP. 109.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY JOHN POYNTZ EARL SPENCER, K.G., &c., &c.,

Lord Lieutenant-General and General Governor of Ireland.

Local Government Board, Dublin, 31st March, 1873.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

Ws, the Local Government Board for Ireland, submit to your Excellency this our First Annual Report under the statute 35 & 36 Vio., cap. 69, entitled "The Local Government Board (Ireland) Act."

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This Report, accordingly, embraces a period of about six months under the late Poor Law Commission, and a further period of about six months under the Local Government Board.

1. We submit, in the first place, in continuation of similar roturns in previous Annual Reports of the Poor Law Commissioners a summary of weekly tetunas of persons relieved in the workhouse and out of the workhouse for fifty-two weeks from the property of the week ended 15th February, 1572, to the week ended 15th February, 1572, to the week ended 15th February, 1572, to the week ended 15th General Property 1572, the property 1572 of the prope

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The following tables represent in figures the maximum, minimum, and average daily numbers shown in each diagram for the whole series of seven years:—

#### RELIEF IN WORKHOUSE.

-	Maximum Numbers.	Dutr.	Minimum Numbers.	Date.	Daily Number.
1886-67,	59,985	9 February, 1887	42,785	1 September, 1868	70,241
1967-68,	62,170	8 February, 1983	44,859	7 September, 1867	53,017
1968-89,	61,944	14 March, 1883	46,839	22 August, 1869	53,757
1859-70,	50,024	6 March, 1889	43,657	4 September, 1809	50,964
1870-71,	55,963	26 February, 1870	41,791	20 August, 1870	47,910
1871-72,	51,927	25 February, 1871	39,696	26 August, 1871	43,738
1972-73,	54,125	8 February, 1873	39,464	31 August, 1872	45,753

#### OUT-DOOR RELIEF.

_	Meximum Numbers.	Date.	Minimum Numbers.	Date.	Average Daily Number.
1866-67,	 18,816	9 February, 1867	5,949	13 October, 1868	12,205
1867-68,	18,666	15 February, 1868	11,975	28 September, 1867	14,040
1868-69,	19,624	20 February, 1869	14,217	3 October, 1868	16,862
1869-70,	22,520	19 February, 1870	15,899	2 October, 1869	10,298
1870-71,	23,313	18 February, 1871	18,947	1 October, 1870	21,474
1871-72,	28,450	17 February, 1872	22,665	7 October, 1971	22,552
1872-73,	32,836	15 February, 1873	24,527	5 October, 1872	27,509

- 3. The weekly summaries of the two preceding years prosented successively a decrease in the number of the imnates of workhouses, but in the present year, 1873, there has been an excess for many weeks past over the number in the corresponding weeks of last year amounting in one week ended 8th February, 1873, to 2,938 immates.
- In the beginning of the autumn of 1872 a combination of adverse circumstances was witnessed, which, at any time previous to the famine period, would have been attended by a serious amount of distress and sickness among the indigent part both of the urban and rural population. There was in the first place more than usually destructive injury to the potato crop, especially the earlier planted part, which has resulted already in raising the price beyond what has been witnessed for many years. At the same time the continued wetness of the season interfered with the saving of the turf throughout those parts of the country in which it is the only fuel employed; while, in towns and other places accustomed to the use of coal, the price of the latter has been doubled by circumstances of an entirely different character, arising, not in Ireland, but in Great Britain. Almost every uecessary of life, especially food of all descriptions, has been dearer, as may be seen by the rise of the cost of workhouse maintenance in the series of weekly summaries in paragraph 1.

Under such circumstances it was to be expected that, notwithstanding the wonderful change observed since the famine period, distress and sickness would prevail to an unusual extent, and the weekly returns of pauperism were looked to with an anxiety which your Excellency shared in common with all engaged in the administration of the Poor Laws.

- 5. We issued to the Boards of Guardians on the 24th Sentember a circular calling their attention to the threatening expect of the soming winter season, and calling upon them to look to their stocks of hedding and clothing, and to take every pressution to meet a possible increase, of material extent, in the number of workhouse immates," There was, however, no very serious increase of the numbers at any time during the series of weeks which intervened between the autumn and the spring beyond that which, as successive diagrams show, invariably takes place at that season of the year; while the weekly rate of mortality in the workhouses was, up to the first week in February, considerably less than at the corresponding period of last year. In the last three weeks of February, however, the workhouse mortality has shown itself higher than last year, the result, no doubt, of the extremely inelement weather of the preceding month combined with a dearth of fuel. No sooner did the weather become more dry and genial than the usual spring employment caused all to leave the workhouses who were capable of work, and the number of inmates at the latest date which it is in our power to quote, viz., the 29th March, are only 2.514 more than at the same time last year.
- 6. The number of porsons reserving out-door relief has further increased from S.494 to 5.395 in the course of the fifty-two weeks comprised in the table. In paragraphs 3 and 4 of our Report of 1856 we have entered fully into the condicatestions which oblige us to disregard any ordinary increase or decrease of out-door relief as indicative of the state of the population, and to look, in this regard, to the increase or decrease of the number of immates of workhouses.
- 7. At the close of January a cry of distress reached your Excellency from Counceman and the signeent inlands of Innia-Buffin, and Innia-Shank, which contain together a population of J.250, and which in close together, but are asperared from the interest of the contained of the contained of the contained of the contained of about four miles prevails there at this season of the year. The population on these scats are supplied with Indian meal and other breakstuffs from the port of Galway carried by hookes or similar descriptions of satinger-gard; and for several weeks of rough weather from the weatward, the vessels destined to this sorvice law wind-bound in Galway into Galway to Ciffiche would too much authance their cost on arrival to make the venture profitable to the merchant.

In the absence of the usual supply of Indian meal the scanty store of potatoes was mostly consumed before the end of the year to meet the necessities not only of the peasantry themselves but of their sheep and cattle, some of which are said to have died of starvation on the mountains. Relicf, however, came at last with an improvement of the weather and the commencement of springwork: and meanwhile the workhouse at Clifden showed little increase in the number of inmates or the rate of mortality in comparison with the same period of last year.

In the islands of Boffin and Shark the difficulties were naturally greater than on the mainland, and in consequence of representations which we received through the Chief Secretary's Office, we felt called on to require the Guardians of Clifden Union to hold an immediate meeting and take prompt steps for relieving in a suitable manner such of the islanders as might be found to be destitute or sick by the relieving officer. An immediate meeting attended by the Poor Law Inspector was held accordingly, and the Guardians at once sent such supplies in charge of the relieving officer as were most likely to be needed.

The approach of the fishing season, and the advances made for kelp by the Iodine Company at Glascow, which yearly expends about £12,000 on these purposes on the Connemara coast. were expected to put an end to any further distress both on mainland and the islands.\* What is now most wanted there is a supply of seed potatoes for the spring planting. The interesting correspondence which has taken place on the subject of these islands

will be found in the appendix.+

8. The number of children "out at nurse" is nearly the same as at the corresponding period of last year, viz :-1.526 in com-

parison with 1.540

In paragraphs 5.6.7, and 8. of their Twenty-fourth Annual Report (1870) the Poor Law Commissioners entered on a full statement of their views regarding this form of relief, which had its origin they observed not in any desire on the part of the Legislature that children old enough to begin their education should receive it elsewhere than in the workhouse, but in the necessity which existed for remedying the mortality incidental to infant children reared without mothers in the workhouse; see the preamble to the 9th section of 25 & 26 Vic., cap. 83, the first enactment by which Guardians were authorized to send out orphans and deserted children to nurse up to the age of 5 years.

Having reason to apprehend that the law as amended by the 32 & 33 Vic., cap. 25, extending the age from 5 to 10 years, was not altogether satisfactory in its working, we obtained a series of reports from our inspectors on the subject, which will be found

in the appendix t The following table exhibits the statistics contained in these Reports in a condensed form.

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It has since transpired that this expectation was not realized. † Appendix A III., page 44. 1 Appendix A IV., page 58.

RETURN of ORPHAN and DESERVED CHILDREN sent out to NURSE.

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It appears from those Reports that the system is adopted only in a minority of the Irish Unions, and that in these there is much difference of practice, according as more or less attention is paid

by the Boards of Guardians to the selection of the foster-parents and to the supervision of the children boarded out. The inquiry disclosed a grievous state of neglect of several poor children placed out to nurse in Stigo Union, and our corres-

poor enturen piaced out to nurse in Sigo Union, and our correspondence thereon with the Board of Guardians will be found in the appendix."

Upon the whole we are confirmed in the opinion expressed in

the Report of 1870 to the effect that whenever a child is sent out the work/cases, not as a tender age and for the purpose of maintaining health, but at an age when any rink in that respect has essend, and for the purpose nerely of being brought up in a family instead of the work/house sehool, the prever given to Hearth of Guardians by the Legislature on the shee preverted to an injurious instead of a beneficent end, and the true intention of the Legislature on faithfully carried out.

Return showing the Number of Persons in receipt of Out-door Relief under the 1st Section of 10th Vic., cap. 31, on the last Saturday of February in each year from 1857 to 1873.

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1857.	396	541	31	120	181	435	611	1.096		
1850.	424	166	79	253	320	823	.853	1,642		
1859,	448	569	53	197	281	632	. 777	3,441		
1000,	593	738	87	361	454	1,004	1,133	2,093		
1861,	1,197	1,517	175	688	961	2,508	2,833	4,711 6.50		
1862,	1,691	2,180	283 414	1,035	1,350	3,287	3,334 4,623	9.049		
1063,	2,050	3,541 3,895	495	1,989	1,559 1,808	4,682	5,284	10,31		
1864,	3,357	4,538	603	2,353	2,055	5,322	6,058	12.01		
1846.	3,545	4,363	696	2771	1,915	1,670	6,156	11.83		
1857.	4.608	6.024	920	3,684	2,821	6,750	8.349	16,40		
1868.	5,471	7,025	1,075	4,398	2,803	6,899	9,348	18,32		
1893	5.816	7.472	3.157	4,388	2,632	6,503	9,605	18,86		
1870.	6,992	8,913	1,183	5.045	3,045	7,368	11.220	21.39		
1871,	7,969	9,746	1.390	5.829	8,369	7.989	12,698	28,54		
1872.	9.223	11,231	1,463	6,347	3,914	9,432	14,663	27,01		
1873.	10,835	13,462	1,684	7,297	4,293	10,383	16,814	31,14		

The increase of ont-door relief shown in this table, viz.—from 27,00 last yer to 81,149, amounting to 4,139 persons is thus distributed:—the permanently infirm class 2,231, the wilows 950, and the temporarily disablet by sichness or accident 951, the per-centage increase of the two latter classes being little more than half of that of the increase of the first class.

10. We here subjoin a tabular statement showing the number of "night lodgers," a term corresponding to "casuals" in England for the past twelve months, in continuation of a similar table in last Report.

RETURN of NIGHT-LODGERS OF CASUALS relieved.

	Numb	er rellares	during ti	so week.	Numi	er in Wa of w	rkhouse st nek.	ckae
Work ended	Males.	Perpales.	Children under 15.	Total.	Maler.	Females.	Children under 13.	Total.
2nd March, 1872, 6th April, 1872, 4th May, 1872, 1th June, 1872, 1th June, 1872, 2th July, 1872, Sch July, 1872, Sch October, 1972, 2th October, 1972, 7th September, 1872, 7th Desember, 1873, 1th Fabruary, 1873, 1th Fabruary, 1873, 1th March 1873.	1,143 1,090 1,162 966 885 753 742 875 903 876 1,031 1,167 1,293	295 300 405 341 334 306 220 319 266 282 294 323	243 266 280 282 264 222 242 304 296 362 281 297 297	1,683 1,656 1,855 1,531 1,483 1,281 1,204 1,498 1,435 1,460 1,566 1,706 1,927	191 141 176 110 92 79 116 118 121 146 126 129 121 149	40 47 67 54 48 43 28 29 37 59 45	37 24 52 44 86 30 36 37 44 63 40 63	968 212 296 268 176 180 189 202 268 281 345 317

Comparing this with the return for last year the number of this troublesome class of applicants appears to have increased, but only in the latter part of the series.

11. As part of the statistics which are brought up very nearly to the date of this Report, the following table exhibits in the accustomed form :

"Greenway of Courses of Death in Workhouses from 3rd Fabruary, 1879.

						In the	four V	Veeks o	nded .					1	
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Previous year,	917	020	928	782	841	010	553	597	927	616	224	1,126			10.38

The total number of deaths in the workhouses in the fifty-two weeks comprised in the table has been 11,672. In the corresponding table in the last Annual Report the total number of deaths was 10,583, which, compared with the present numbers, shows an increase of 1,089 of deaths and an increase of 1,033, com-

pared with the number in the preceding year.

The number of deaths by fever is 655 in comparison with 678 in the previous year, and with 630 in the year preceding.

It will be seen that no less than 677 deaths from small-pox have taken place in the workhouse hospitals of Ireland in the course of the year 1872–73 in comparison with only one single case recorded in our Report for the year 1869-70, and with no more than 13 in the year 1870-71.

For further particulars relating to the recent epidemic we beg to refer to those paragraphs of this Report which are ranged under the heading Medical Charities and Vaccination Acts.

12. We now conclude the series of recent statistics by repeating with one additional year the table showing the number of persons assisted by Beards of Guardians to emigrate, and the cost incurred for that purpose in each year, that is to say, for now twenty-three years past ended on the 25th of March.

EWIGRATION under the Act 12 & 13 Vic. c. 104, sec. 26, dated 1 Apr. 1849.

			Ameura	Number	of Persons	assisted to Er	nigrate.
Pas	ens.		antherized to be expended by Scaled Consonts.	Mea.	Women.	Children under 15 years of age.	Total.
Aug., 1849, to Year ended 22 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	25 March, March, B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B	1851, 1852, 1858, 1854, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1861, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1966, 1971, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1872, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871, 1871,	\$ 6. d. d. 11.181   1	561 790 492 403 159 64 70 58 37 44 123 93 100 66 71 71 43 44 123 44 123 44 123 44 123 44 123 44 123 44 123 44 44 123 44 44 123 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44 44	1,244 2,614 2,218 1,202 2,047 383 363 469 270 178 178 317 501 315 238 258 205 219 229 223 223	797 932 1,115 986 788 605 302 202 180 141 123 383 383 189 141 125 488 605 449 449 449 449 449 449 449 45 489 449 45 465 465 465 465 465 465 465 465 465	2,592 4,596 5,925 2,901 8,794 892 892 897 384 547 1,29 715 715 715 717 717 701 896 596
Total,			127,175 5 5	3,406	15,068	10,729	29,302

 We now proceed to the statistics arising out of the accounts of the unions for the year ended 29th September, 1872.

We deal in the first place with that part of the union expenditure which relates exclusively to the relief of the poor, of which the following table affords an abstract for all Ireland for the year ended 29th September, 1872, in comparison with that for the year which ended on the same date in 1871.—

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1671, 1671,	13,723,354 13,733,394		401,840 382,865	80,477 69,744	£ 8,343 7,238	124,180 117,824	114,491 108,306		233,236 225,510			296,356 262,433
Increase, Decrease,	89,960	9,533	19,174	10,733	1,115	6,356	6,185	43,083	6,716	7,010	23	13,75

We regret to mention that for the first time since the establishment of the Poor Law Commission this annual statement embraces the accounts of a considerable number of unions, in which the last half-year's account has not yet been audited. This deficit raise that the control of the control of the control of the control the arrace which he unavoidably left to his successor, and again from the long space of time, vir.; over three nonths, which elapsed from the lade of the Local Government Board Act to the time when the Lords Commissioners of Her Mysleyth 'Tressary sentioned the appointment of a sixth auditor and enabled their new Livil he seen from the alovey ostatement that a very consider-

able increase amounting to no less than £8,566 has taken place, and that such increase extends to each head of expenditure, but it occurs principally in the items of In-maintenance, Out-door Redier, and Salacies and Rations of Officers. The increase of the number relieved in the workhouse during the year is 6,726, the difference between £25,510 in the year 1871, and 292,283 in 1872, and this difference necounts for only a small part, about a fortieth, of the increase of expenditure.

14. The following is a tabulated account of admissions to the workhouse during the last year, in comparison with those of the thirteen preceding years:—

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1862, 1864, 1864, 1865, 1860, 1867,	85,266 36,254 41,535 45,181 46,637 48,633 44,837 44,278	0,520 0,107 0,708 11,181 14,469 15,757 16,410 12,053 11,703	52,660 56,456 38,378 44,853 44,937 43,027 41,498 36,597 43,110	2,107 2,625 2,217 2,220 2,431 2,280 2,383 2,343 2,433	88,204 61,807 61,604 63,221 84,443 67,612	70,314 85,312 114,850 165,455 178,276 154,157 120,065 120,144 155,865	116,504 122,006 164,663 233,697 240,127 212,221 201,386 184,487 211,207	2,276 2,445 2,435 2,815 2,977 2,359 2,751 2,060 2,954	153,700 170,040 201,423 587,807 288,595 201,147 252,170 217,104 253,120	8,02: 9,67: 19,760 12,760 12,761 12,88: 12,88: 11,34: 15,16:
1809, 1809, 1874, 1871, 1872,	47,778 45,012 42,375	11,200 0,070 8,153 8,718 10,249	41,834 41,639 50,086 58,219 33,910	2,564 2,641 2,510 2,616 2,616	55,607 54,919 49,749 49,510 52,500	185,256 131,358 193,186 131,492 187,233	210,843 165,877 163,155 181,692 189,748	2,397 2,410 2,252 2,163 1,953	269,963 235,663 230,639 235,510 233,230	11,57 11,24 10,69 10,05 11,86

It will be observed from the above that an increase of nearly 3,000 has taken place in the total number admitted in sickness during the year An increase of about 1,500 has taken place under the head of fever and other dangerous contagious diseases.

15. The following is a statement of the result of the Weekly Summaries of Indoor Relief, showing the average daily number of recipients of relief for each of the twenty-one years ended 29th September, 1872:—

Average Daily Number in receipt of Relief during the year, Average Number of Deaths per Week, and Rate of Mortality.

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1851.	6.422,901	14 012	87,333	22 231	75.9(3)	3.918	22.588	26,505	4.488	7.615	12,163	106.821	451	27	240
1057	0.101328	10 365	98.661				20,410	23,336	3.904	6.897	19,791	139,401	585	20	2 96
	6.185,364	7.114	16.323	93,430	39,8111	2.167	18,850		3,152	5,645	8,831	93,190	301	3.9	1:54
1851.	3,107,856	5,048				2,053	18,214	20,977	2,863	5,014	7,947	79,211	267	2.5	1:30
1856.	6,077,283	3,576	10,738	14,264	98,899	1,518	16,419	17,107	2,460	4,646	7,105	63,935	300	2.3	1:04
1857.	6,041,452	2,877	7.765						3,124	4,137	6,561	50,063	178	25	0'14
1859.	6,013,103	2,312	7,121	9,433	14,266	1,148	14,130	15,947	2,119	4,015	6,145	45,799	180	3-0	0.70
1859,	6,009,133	1,865	5,899	7.744	11,511	074	13,802	14,716	2,241		6,3129	46,589	151	38	0.62
	5,000,820		0,050	7,927	11,216	544	18,004	14,528	2,718	4,755	7,130 8,300	41,271	384	45	9.78
thel.	5,798,461	2,502	6,590		12,307		14,36	15,377			10.007	45,136	244	4.5	0 10
1804.	5,754,674	8,030	8,310	11,349	14,517	1,562	16,133	18,476	4.649	0,001	11,250			14	1.61
1863,	5,783,711	3,237		11,830	10,250	1,010	16,991	18,400				56,522		46	0-00
	5,723,516			10,519	14.255	1,659	16,740	18,200	4.700	0.094	11 215	\$3,917	937		0-10
	1,532,634	2,340		8,137		1,023	10,000	17,600	4 411	6 177	10.338	50.530	211	4.4	G- C41
1865	3,537,19	2,307	6.13	6,440		3 555	15 504	10,741						48	0.04
1960	5,543,28	3,494		9 550	16,02	1100	18,503	16,033	5.334	7.001	12,428	53,500			0.07
15.50	5.696.21	2.17		806	15 94	1 000	15,568		5 380	6 369	19,351	49,317	210		0.90
2570	3,516,67	210	0.27	7.300		940	15314	16,394	5,251	6,598	11.953	42,180	200	41	0.80
1871	5,499,78	1.85	4.50		12.065	922	15,041	15.984	18,061	6,428	11,489	46,093	190		085
1072	5,366,16	1.72	4.62		11.40	1.036	15,100	15,160	5.140	6,000	11,746	40.753	223	5.0	9:33

The following is a statement of the Parliamentary Grant for Medical and Educational purposes, and of its distribution for the year ended 25th March, 1872:—

Amount Claimed and

Medical purposes,			£ 65,771 7,910	s. 10	d.	
Educational purposes,	•	•	-	_	_	
Total,			73,682	9	10	

16. The total amount claimed and allowed under the Parliamentary Grant for the year ended March, 1872, namely, £73,682 98, 10d., is £1,837 17s. 3d. in excess of the claim for the previous year, and arises chiefly from increases of salary.

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Hence it will be seen that the total disturssment of proor-rates for all purpose, xir, relief, medical relief, build grounds, tion of births, deaths, and marriages, and sanitary means regimtion of births, deaths, and marriages, and sanitary means in 1871 28401035, and the amount of proor-rate collected 4750,000 the expenditure making a promalage of 1s. 34/i in the possion, the expenditure making a promalage of 1s. 34/i in the possion of the valuation. In 1872 the expenditure was £291-886, or 1s. 44, in the pound, and the powerate collected only £743-886; to difference between the expenditure and collection being to a great extent covered by the parliamentary grant for medical and effects of the propose.

18. We here continue from last Report a form of table exhibiting for the last twenty-three years—the whole period, in fact, subsequent to the famine—the per-centage in each successive year of the several classes of workhouse inmates as compared with the whole number—

CLASSIFIED RETURN of the Number of Immates of Workhouses in Ireland, on the first Saturday of January; and the per-centage of the several classes on the total Number of Immates.

	1	intentra noi	in Mospital	L.			Per-centage on Total Number.						
Pivi Sauciay of January.	Able- bolish Hales	Alte- toted Females	Chiblero under 18 years of age.	Other chance,	Number in Hospital.	Tetal Number in Work- inguno.	Able- bodied Mořes	Able- borted Permiss.	Children under 15 years of age not in Hospital.	Other classes not in Bospital.	In Hospital		
4 Jan, 1851 3	22,178 16,154 13,251 9,329 6,167 4,664 2,621 2,651 2,247 2,184 2,623 3,465 4,039 3,513 2,901 2,903 2,5	49,758 32,423 31,633 11,234 13,297 13,792 9,792 4,793 7,793 9,644 8,924 7,293 7,094 7,293 7,093 6,394 7,293 7,093 8,310	91,589 76,993 62,044 42,793 34,794 27,293 19,117 10,625 12,732 11,767 19,703 16,732 16,732 16,732 16,732 16,732 16,744 15,794 16,965 16,964 15	14,607 11,454 10,813 8,200 7,711 6,547 6,467 7,577 8,613 11,853 11,853 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201 11,201	28,922 20,605 21,956 22,339 50,106 18,939 16,971 16,950 11,740 17,450 17,450 17,450 17,450 117,255 117	208,564 103,748 133,764 164,074 85,766 72,247 55,163 49,368 43,318 47,352 53,168 60,038 50,433 54,433 54,433 54,433 55,643 56,643 56,643 50,847 50,815	107 96 88 704 64 58 51 53 67 61 87 81 87 81 87 81 87 81 87 81 81 81 81 81 81 81 81 81 81 81 81 81	241 224 230 191 191 108 169 167 167 161 149 125 125 125 118 118	414 417 447 447 447 492 317 318 317 201 201 201 201 201 201 201 201 201 201	08 70 78 84 85 107 120 148 179 178 185 193 211 212 213 212 213 212 213 213 213 21	140 155 155 216 245 245 262 200 316 316 317 323 325 325 325 324 325 321 321 321 321 321 321 321 321 321 321		

19. The following four tables present some details for the eight years last past, which may be regarded with interest as showing the progressing operation of

progressive	operation	of rece	nt am	endme	nts of	the i	law:-
		REPAY	MENT O	F RELI	EF.		

Year ended 19th September.	From Paupers reliered by way of Loan.	From Poor Persons, under 6 & 7 Vic., c. 92, and 25 & 26 Vic., c. 83.	From Constabulary Patients.	Total.
1865, 1868, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1871,	£ z. d. 904 3 9 817 9 40 986 18 10 996 15 4 1,648 4 9 1,246 1 3 1,554 11 2	£ s. d. 292 3 5 324 9 10 357 17 1 1 367 12 0 411 15 '2 382 15 1 390 13 1 894 3 6	£ s. d. 131 19 4 150 12 7 145 8 6 157 14 7 157 7 4 195 14 10 235 11 3 192 8 1	£ £ d. 1,228 6 6 1,282 11 9 1,489 19 3‡ 1,454 11 11 1,617 5 8 1,204 10 7 1,862 5 7 2,291 2 9

EXPENDITURE IN OUT-DOOR RELIEF.

Year ended 29th September.	In Money.	In Kind,	Cost of Orphane and Deserted Children,under § 9 of 20 & 26 Vic., c. 83.	Total.		
1265, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1269, 1870, 1871,	£ s. d. 17,816 12 2 20,920 3 5 30,423 11 13 35,858 2 24 38,014 12 44 45,431 8 2 53,925 16 3 62,793 1 9	£ s, d, 5,541 0 83 6,055 4 34 6,294 11 0 7,131 15 2 5,026 2 24 6,445 9 65 7,633 1 84 8,071 12 55	£ & d. 1,977 5 9 2,772 17 9 3,877 1 7 3,595 12 1 4,143 12 8 7,594 13 4 5,885 4 8 9,612 13 11	£ r. d. 25,334 18 72 28,748 5 3 49,075 3 94 44,785 9 3 48,184 7 3 59,101 6 11 69,744 2 73 80,477 7 61		

#### MAINTENANCE IN ASYLUMS AND EXTERN HOSPITALS.

Year ended In 9th September. Blind Asylums.		In Deaf and Dumb Asylums.			
10-15, 1465, 1867, 1263, 1869, 1870, 1871, 1872,	£ z, d, 2,317 3 9 2,436 8 9 2,536 12 11 2,458 81 1 1 2,427 1 7 2,549 6 10 2,503 8 8 2,557 8 7	£ a. d. 1,752 17 3 1,980 2 8 2,512 5 5 3,665 10 5 3,720 6 9 4,059 18 2 4,245 18 8	£ 5. d. 2618 2 3 1,779 13 2 1,092 12 8 735 19 1 720 1 2 736 10 7 664 11 4 1,836 14 6	£ r. d. 6,888 3 3 6,176 4 8 6,143 11 0 6,200 0 7 6,835 8 2 7,696 4 2 7,227 18 2 8,343 1 9	

#### \*EXPENDITURE UNDER THE SANITARY ACTS.

Year ended	Under Sewage	Under Nuisance	Under Diseases	Tetal.
19th September.	Unicestion Act.	Removal Acts.	Prevention Acta	
1867, 1862, 1862, 1879, 1879, 1871,	£ s. d. 1,570 19 6 1,424 13 11 1,475 5 7 1,367 5 9 2,338 17 9 2,950 6 3	£ s. d. 2,120 6 10 2,350 8 4 1,601 12 6 1,780 0 0 2,521 0 7 3,508 16 7	£ s. d. 10,717 2 61 276 18 4 209 6 7 117 13 9	15,108 8 103 3,962 5 7 3,295 4 8 8,321 18 6 4,044 17 9 6,459 2 10

20. In paragraph 19 of the 25th Annual Report of the Poto the Commissions the unusual occurrence was recorded of the dissolution of a Board of Guardians, and the appointment of public different conduct the business of the Urion instead. This relationship is the Commission of the Poto and the Commission of the Urion instead. This relation is the poton and all other business has been aime conducted by two gentlemen appointed by the Central Department and popularly called Vine-dunardians. By the operation of one of the Foot Law Acts the period of service of the paid officers so Foot Law Acts the period of service of the paid officers are the contract of the Commission o

where, made necessary as they were by a total alendonment of their functions by the Board of Guardians. We place in full in the appendix a clear and satisfactory report which we have just received from the Vice-Guardians, containing a statement of the way in which they have discharged their most responsible duty.\*

21. The Act of Parliament (35 & 36 Vic., cap. 33) requiring vates in Parliamentary and Municipal Elections to be taken by belief, although not extending to the election of Irish Poor Law Garantians, called forth a repositive sore-most energe mercal Poor Law Union Rearts which seemed to be founded in some misapprehense of the Palend Act, the Courtellana having contract the property of the Palend Act, the Courtelman having the Courtelland Courtelland and Courtelland Co

In renountating against this course as subversive of every principle of popular representation, we were obliged to admit that such a proceeding, if adopted by any board, was not at variance with any provision of the Poor Laws, or with any sacied order regulating the proceeding of Boards of Guardians which had heretofore been based; several Boards of Guardians which had heretofore been based; several Boards of Guardians which had heretofore been based; several boards of Guardians resisting in approval, to any diversity of practice in the wind your Excellency's order prohibiting voting by halds the Boards of Guardians or any other manner of secret voting. This order with the correspondence will be found in the appendix.<sup>1</sup>

#### MEDICAL CHARITIES ACT, AND VACCINATION ACT.

22. We now submit to your Excellency our report of last year's proceedings under the above mentioned Acts of Parliament.

The subjoined table exhibits for the ten years ended September 30th, 1872, in the usual form, the relief afforded under the Medical Charities Act, annually at the dispensaries, and at the patients' homes, in each province, and in the whole of Ireland.

\* Appendix A VI., page 25. † Appendix A L., p. 37, and A VII., 1-see 57.

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Year soled to feet, 1671,	111,192	11/80	114/30	179,799	83,608	225,800	390,000	64,000	244,360	23,600	39,085	40,990	647,691	184,314	741,20
Two solid	113,390	18,34h	171,077	169,221	ELUIZ	84,742	10,66	66,304	131,510	00,055	26,779	80,754	103,729	234,545	751 005

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In last year's Report, in comparing the summaries in the above table for 1870 and 1871, we had occasion to observe that there had been a uniform decrease for the latter compared with the former year, in the numbers of cases attended of each class of nationts in all the Provinces of Ireland comparing the numbers in the Summary for 1871 with those for 1872. We find in regard to cases attended at the dispensaries there has been a decrease for 1872 compared with the year before, in Ulster of 4,574 cases, in Munster of 16,501, in Leinster of 10,135, and in Connaught of 3.111 ; but in regard to cases attended at the patients' homes, there has been on the contrary, on comparison between the same two years an increase for 1872 of 1.160 cases for Ulster, of 9.859 for Munster, of 4,282 for Leinster, of 1,774 for Connaught, giving for the whole of Ireland a decrease of 34.321 cases attended at the Dispensaries, and an increase of 17,075 domiciliary cases for the year ended September the 30th 1872, compared with the year before.

- 23. The Statistics relating to the cancelling of Medical Relief Tickets by the Committees of Management presents a remarkable result in the different provinces. The provision of the "Medical Charities Act," intended to prevent the abuse of relief tickets being given to persons not fairly entitled to gratuitous Medical attendance, is contained in the 9th section of the Act, which empowers the committee to cancel any ticket issued in favour of any person it considers "not a fit object for Dispensary relief." The returns of the Dispensary Medical Officers for the year ended September the 30th, 1872, as to this particular give 257 cases in which tickets were cancelled in Ulster, 88 in Munster, 89 in Leinster, and 54 in Connaught. There is no reason to believe that the committees in Ulster are chargeable with any undue harshness in the exercise of the power of cancelling tickets, and if this be so the above figures suggest an apprehension of undue laxity in its exercise in the other provinces, having regard in each case to the ratio between the number of tickets issued and the number cancelled.
- 24. In the next table is given the expenditure under the "Medical Charities Act" for each of the last ten years ended September the 29th, 1872, together with the new expenses incurred in carrying out vaccination established by the "Vaccination Act" of 1858.

MEDICAL CHARITIES EXPENDITURE, Years ended 29th September.

Year.	Ulater.	Munster.	Leiweter.	Countright,	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£
1663,	29,676	32,269	32,683	14,598	109,206
1664,	31,264	34,387	34,136	15,118	114,905
1865,	31,492	34,933	34,782	15,841	117,038
1866,	31,149	34,464	34,459	16,243	116,315
1867,	32,020	35,341	34,685	15,872	118,118
1868,	34,017	35,431	36,401	16,135	121,985
1869,	34,623	35,646	36,624	16,825	123,718
1870,	36,464	37,686	38,130	17,656	129,936
1871.	38,881	38,852	41,151	18,111	135,005
1672,	38,906	41,378	42,480	18,884	141,648

£141,648

It appears from this table that the expenditure under this head for the year ended Suphuber the 29th, 1872, exceeds that for the previous year by £2,025 for Ulster, by £2,516 for Manster, by £1,329 for Leisster, and by £777 for Comangit, giving for all Irahand an increase amounting to 20,634, an increase greater by £1,574 than that which occurred between the two years ended Suphuber the 29th, 1871.

25. The next table exhibits under the six usual heads the general expenditure under the "Medical Charities and Vaccination Acts" for the two last years ended September the 29th, 1879.

#### MEDICAL CHARITIES EXPENDITURE.

Medicines and medical appliances,     Rent of Dispensary buildings,     Books, forms, stationery, printing, and	adı	ertisl		1871. £23,420 7,563 1,166	1873. £23,579 7,844 1,275
<ol> <li>Salaries of {Medical Officers,</li></ol>	:	:	:	80,725 2,503 10,001	81,771 2,529 10,364
Expenses under Vaccination Act: 6. Vaccination fees and other expenses:					

There has been an increased expenditure for the latter year under all these heads; inconsiderable, however, except under the fourth and sixth. Thus the increase in the cost of medicines has been £159. The large diminution in the number of cases attended at the Dispensaries being more than compensated for by the increase of domiciliary cases, the expense attendant on the treatment of which is on the average considerably greater than that of the Dispensary cases. Under the second head, rent of Dispensary buildings, the increase has been £281. The expenditure on books, forms, stationery, &c., shows an increase of £109, on salaries of apothecaries of £26, and on fuel, porters, &c., of £363. Under the head of salaries of Medical Officers, there has been an increase of £1,046. An increase in this item has occurred regularly every year since the passing of the "Medical Charities Act," but for the last year has been considerably less than usual. For 1871 compared with 1870 it was £2,808. The considerably increased expenditure under the sixth head, Medical Officers' vaccination fees, &c., amounting to £4,659 is satisfactorily accounted for by the greatly increased demand for vaccination and revaccination occasioned by the panic caused by the severe epidemic invasion of small-pox now subsiding.

The average poundage on the Poor Law Valuation of Ireland, now amounting to £18,329,354, to provide for the above-mentioned total expenditure, was 2°55d., which is very slightly higher than that for the year before, viz.:—2\*4kd.

26. The following changes in the Dispensary Districts have been effected in the course of the past year. The Dispensary Districts of 2

of Buttavant in Mallow Union and Charleville in Kilmallock Union have been altered by the transfer of an Electoral Division from the former to the latter district. In the county of Donegal the Glenties Union was divided into five instead of four districts, the additional district having a Medical Officer for itself. In the South Dublin Union the townland of Rathgar was transferred from the Rathfarnham to the Mathmines Dispensary District. In Trales Union the Tralee and Kilgobban Dispensary Districts were formed into three districts, with an additional Medical Officer, and in the Crossroads Dispensary District, County Donegal, a second Medical Officer was appointed; in each case to the great benefit of the sick poor. Ten additional appointments of midwives have been made during the year, the total number of which is now 187. The numbers of Members of Committees of Management have been increased in mineteen instances, either with the view to give greater facilities for procuring tickets for medical relief, or to make room on the Committees for persons entitled to be members, Medical Officers of Dispensary Districts were superannuated in the conrse of the year in fifteen instances, under the Poor Law Medical Officers Superannuation Act. The superannuated officers being in every case disabled by advanced age or permanent ill health from the efficient performance of their duties. In eleven of the fifteen cases the Guardians awarded the highest superannuation permitted by the law.

27. The next table exhibits the progress of gratuitous vacination since the passing of the Modical Charticles Arts and demonstrates in a very striking manner the bandfield effects of the Vaccination Acts of 185s and 1863 by the large increase in the number of vaccinations performed in each of the two following years; and also the still greater influence in the same direction years; and set the still greater influence in the same direction porx; the nucessful vaccination of the property o

				TA	BLE.				
Year ended	C t ann			Number of Cases of Vaccination					Number of Cases of Vaccination
y ever enried	sebe som			43,332	Year ended	Sept. 30th.	1863.		106,510
*	33	1854,		52,844	,,	.,,	1864.	ú	191,810
	**	1855,		46,711	ő		1865.	:	
19	**	1856.		84,131	,,		1866.	ď	
	**	1857,		47.855	,,	**	1867.	1	
91	**	1858,		51,984			1868,	i	
29	10	1859.		140,411			1869,	0	
19		1860,	÷	107,305	"	**	1870.	:	
22	**	1861.		90,256			1871.	٠	179,889
**		1863.		N9.863	.,	,,	10.0	٠	000 194

23. The next table gives an abstract for the eight years ended September the 30th, 1872 (i.e. since the Compulsory Vaccination Act was in full operation), of the vaccination returns of the Dispensary Medical Officers distinguishing the cases of persons

born before January the 1st, 1864, and, therefore, exempt from compulsory vaccination given in column 2 of the table, from those of children under nine years of age, and, therefore, subject to compulsory vaccination given in column 1. The figures in the table show an increase in the number of vaccinations for the last compared with the year before of 3,600 cases of successful vaccinations of children. A decrease in this class of cases for the last year in the table has occurred in the Provinces of Ulster, Leinster and Connaught, giving respectively 1,645, 342, and 1,956, fewer cases of successful vaccinations of children for the last than for the year before. In Munster on the contrary there has been an increase in the successful vaccinations of children of no less than 7,552 cases for the last year. Any falling off in the number of vaccinations especially in this class of cases and while the epidemic of small-pox is still smouldering in the country, must be regarded with great concern and apprehension, and should furnish to all the responsible authorities a powerful incentive to increased vigilance and exertion for the purpose of thoroughly carrying out the salutary provisions of the Vaccination Acts. With respect to the vaccination of persons exempt from compulsory vaccination we had occasion to remark in last year's report that instead of the steady and great decrease in the number of this class vaccinated in each successive year since 1864, there had been for the then last year an increase of 35,673 cases. We have now to report for the year ended September, 1872, compared with the year before, another increase in the number vaccinated of the same class to the extraordinary amount of 98,986 cases, the total number of these vaccinations and re-vaccinations (viz. 139,822) falling but little short of the corresponding number under the Compulsory Vaccination Act for the same year (viz. 142,662). There can be no doubt that this remarkable result is due entirely to the alarm caused by the small-pox epidemic.

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	No. of Co period the year of	ses of Vac breset dur aded Sept.	cleation ing 30, 1805.		No. of Cases of Vaccination performed during the year ended Sept. 30, 1866.			
PROVINCES.	Cases of Children bars since hat Jam, 1994.	Other Cases	Total.	PROVINCES.	Cases of Children born since let Jan., 1651.	Other Cases.	Total.	
	1	2.	_3_		1.	1.	8.	
Ulater, Munster, . Luinster, . Connunght, .	83,271 26,410 24,011 13,460	18,437 20,678 17,686 15,181	51,708 47,620 41,657 28,649	Ulater, Munster, . Leinster, . Connaught, .	36,008 28,563 23,526 16,923	8,704 8,794 6,650 8,176	44,712 37,457 29,846 23,109	
Total, Ireland, 1865,	97,160	71,803	169,143	Total, Ireland, 1866,	104,730	32,884	157,124	
	No. of C peri	ssee of Vac leamed day aded Sept.	risation Ing 10, 1867.		No, of Ca peri the year er	sen of Vac owned duri sled Sept.		
PROVINCES.	Cases of Children burn since let Jan., 1864.	Other Case.	Tetal.	PROTINCES.	Cases of Children been since 1st Jun., 1864.	Other Cases.	Total.	
	_ h_	2.	-1		<u> </u>	2.	_8_	
Clater, Munster, Leimter, Comanght, .	56,79/2 31,509 22,600 17,57/2	3,917 8,456 3,782 4,163	40,709 36,965 26,882 21,723	Ulster, Menster, . Leinster, . Connarghi, .	41,093 52,003 25,672 19,845	8,429 4,231 2,695 3,658	44,522 36,234 27,767 22,903	
Total, Ireland, 1867,	107,473	18,268	125,741	Total, Ireland, 1863,	118,613	12,813	131,426	
	No. of C	tipes of Va domed da mind Sept	estention ring . 30, 1869.		No. of Cases of Vaccination performed during the year ended Sept. 30, 1870.			
PROTESCES.	Cases of Children bern store but Jam., 1864.	Other Cases	Total.	PROVINCES.	Cases of Children born slace lst Jan., 1864.	Other Cuers.	Total.	
	1.	_ 8.	2.		1.	2.	3.	
Ulster, Munster, . Leisster, . Connaught, .	89,451 82,782 23,784 19,185	2,456 2,226 1,183 1,913	41,887 35,408 26,569 21,808	Ulster, Munster, . Leirster, . Connaught, .	44,677 26,857 30,122 23,991	1,548 1,491 855 1,129	46,225 27,848 31,117 25,630	
Total, Ireland, 1969	117,912	7,760	125,672	Total, Ireland, 1870,	135,057	5,163	140,020	
		tases of Va formed du raded Sept			No. of Cases of Voccination preferencel during the year ended Sept. 30, 1871			
Provinces.	Capre of Children been since let Jan., c854.	Other Cases.	Total.	PROVINCES.	Coves of Children horn since lat Jan., 1851.	Other Coses.	Total.	
	1.	2.	3.		1.	2.	1	
Ulater, . Munster, . Leinster, . Connaught, .	44,897 37,798 31,943 24,415	8,953 7,943 19,736 4,204	53.810 45,741 51,679 28,619	Uliter, . Munster, . Leinster, . Connaught, .	48,252 45,350 31,601 22,469	28,475 71,102 34,045 6,200	71,723 116,465 65,646 28,656	
Total, Ireland, 1871,	139,053	40,836	179,859	Total, Ireland, 1872,	142,662	159,832	282,48	

TOTALS for Ireland of Number of Cases of Vaccination performed during the Years ended September 30th, 1872.

Years.	Cases of Children born since January lss, 1864.	Othe Cases.	Totals,
1865,	97,160	71,962	169,142
1866,	104,730	82,394	137,124
1867,	107,473	16,268	125,741
1863,	118,613	12,013	131,426
1869,	117,912	7,760	125,672
1879,	133,057	5,163	140,220
1871,	139,053	40,636	179,819
1872,	142,662	139,622	282,484

29. The two next tables exhibit by the comparison of the numbers attached to each of the last three years the progress of the very unusually severe visitation of small-pox now subsiding and the condition of this disease in Ireland, as shown by the deaths from it in the workhouses for the nine years ended February 1st, 1873; the first seven of these years showing the extraordinary and most gratifying decline from 145 deaths in 1864-5 to 1 in 1869-70. The commencement of the epidemic is indicated by the 13 deaths during the succeeding year, rising rapidly within the last two years to 1,414 during the second quarter of 1872, and then declining to 135 for the last quarter of the same year. The course of the disease is in like manner demonstrated by the numbers of cases recorded by the Dispensary Medical Officers as treated by them yearly from the year ended September, 1865, to that ended September, 1872; the first five years exhibiting a steady decrease from 2,000 cases for the first to 27 for the last of these years. The returns for the next three years declare by the rapid increase of the number of Dispensary cases, the invasion and severity of the epidemic by the rise from 51 cases during the first to 10,317 for the last of these years.

Deaths in Workhouses from Small-pox and Number of Cases of Small-pox treated by Dispensary Medical Officers.

Deaths in Workh	ouses fr	ein.	Number of Cases of Small-pox treated by Medical			
Small-po	x.		Officers of Dispensary Districts.			
Panyon,		Number of	Printed,	Number of		
52 Weeks ended		Deaths.	52 Weeks ended	Cases.		
11th February, 1885,		145	30th September, 1084,	1,965		
10th February, 1886,		59	30th September, 1883,	2,000		
9th February, 1887,		9	30th September, 1883,	579		
8th February, 1886,		5	30th September, 1865,	105		
8th February, 1886,		3	30th September, 1867,	135		
8th February, 1870,		1	30th September, 1869,	27		
4th February, 1870,		13	30th September, 1870,	51		
4th February, 1872,		462	30th September, 1871,	778		
1st February, 1872,		677	30th September, 1871,	10,317		

30. Evidence to the same effect is strikingly afforded by the

numbers of deaths from small-pox recorded in the next table furnished by the Registrar-General, to whom we are as usual indebted for favouring us with the return for the last quarter of 1872 before its publication.

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S RETURNS.

DEATHS from SMALL-FOX registered in IRELAND, during dates undermentioned.

Year,	1st Quarter.	2nd Quarter.	3rd Quarter.	4th Quarter.	TOTAL,
1264 1865 1866 1867 1867 1869 1870 1871 1872	274 122 166 7 6 8 2 2 38 1,175	244 110 47 5 9 9 2 67 1,414	171 53 25 4 3 2 6 101 475	165 62 9 4 1 1 23 441 135	854 347 187 20 19 20 32 647 3,197

The table shows the extraordinary decline in the numbers of deaths registered in the first six years in the table from Six 1864, during the last six months of which only, the "Compulsory Vaccination Act" was in full operation to 20 for all Tradau in 1869, and the effect of the epidemic by the increase from 32 deaths in 1870 to 3.197 for 1872.

31. The quarterly returns of the Dispensary Medical Offices of the numbers of cases of frees, castatina, and small-prox, attended by them as Dispensary patients for the year 1872 indicate a very sight increase of fever for this compared with the year before (viz.:—30 cases) and an inconsiderable decrease of sorthatina, here by 107 cases for 1872 than 1871. The increase between the same two years of cases of small-pox, marking the spidents the sight of the compared with the same two years of cases of small-pox, marking the spidents of the compared that the property of the com

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, BURIAL GROUNDS ACTS, AND SANITARY ACTS.

82. On receiving the Royal Warrants, in virtue of which the Foor Law Commission cased to exist and the Local Government Board was established, we issued the following circular letter to the governing bodies of the towns in Ireland affected by the provisions of the \*Local Government Ireland Act, 1871,\* which it had now become our duty to administer:—

The Local Government Board for Ireland desire to bring under the notice of the several Town Councils, Municipal Commissioners, and Town Commissioners in Ireland, the recent legislation regarding the Government of Towns and the administration of the Sanitary Laws in Ireland.

By the Act 35 and 36 Vio. c. 69, the functions of the Lord Lieutenant, the Prive Council, and the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, relating to the matters above mentioned, have devolved upon the Local Government Board for Iveland.

On the 21st August, 1871, a previous Act was passed, which is called the Local Government (Ireland) Act. 1871.

That Act applies to all Towns in Ireland which are under any form of Local Government, whether Town Council or Commissioners under the Act 9 Geo. IV., under the Act 3 and 4 Victoria, c. 108, under the Towns Improvement Act, 17: and 18 Vic., c. 103, or finally under any local Act. The main purpose of the Local Government (Ireland) Act. 1871, was

to give to the governing hody, in any case, some power or powers which they did not possess, and which that body desired, with the assent of the ratepayers, to possess, but which heretofore could not be obtained without direct application to Parliament at considerable expense to the ratenavers. Under this Act, in any such case, after petition presented for the

sume, the Local Government Board will cause all necessary inquiry to he made at little expense to the locality concerned, and the desired power or powers will be given, if objection is not made and sustained, by what is called a Provisional Order, which passes through the Legislature usually without discussion, and without expense to the parties asking for it.

The powers which may he so obtained are the following, and two or more powers may be included in the same Provisional Order :-1. Power to purchase Land for certain defined purposes of public

utility: 2. To incorporate adjoining District with the Town;

3. To separate any part of the Town from the jurisdiction of the soverning body:

4. To transfer to the governing body from the Grand Jury of the County in which the Town is situate all authority with regard to Roads, Bridges, Footpaths, and Public Works within the Town, and all Taxation for such purposes, and to make the necessary provisions in relation to such transfer :

5. To authorize the making of further Rates in addition to the maximum at present authorized ;

6. To provide for the future execution of, or alteration or repeal of, any Local Act affecting the Town, or any part thereof;

7. To extend the Borrowing Powers in certain cases.

There are other provisions which can only be understood by reference to the Act itself. They relate chiefly to Markets and Fairs, the Auditing of Accounts, the Borrowing of Money, and other matters affecting the execution of the Act. A copy of the Act is sent here-

with to the governing hody of each Town affected hy its provisions. Communications from the governing body, or from Ratepayers on the subject of the provisions of the Act, should be addressed to The Local

Government Board, Custom House, Dublin.

33. The first provisional order which we were called upon to issue under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, was addressed to the Governing Body, the Town Council of the borough of Wexford, transferring from the Grand Jury of the County to the Town Council exclusive authority over roads, bridges, &c., within the

borough, and the power of taxation for such purposes. Part of the preliminary proceedings had been conducted in the name of the Chief Secretary previously to the passing of the Local Government Board (Ireland) Act, 1872, and on the 15th November following it devolved upon us to sign and issue the provisional order which had been asked for in a petition from the Town Council and this order was on the 11th February following adopted at a public meeting of the ratepayers of the town as required by the statute. At the March Assizes following we applied to the Grand Jury of the County for their assent to the terms of the provisional order, and a presentment was passed embodying the unanimous assent of that body. Thus our first provisional order has been brought to completion so far as local authorities in Ireland are concerned, and now only awaits confirmation by the legislature in the usual course. The total expense incurred in this proceeding was about £40, which sum will be renevable in full by the Town Council to this department to be placed to the credit of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or such portion of it as their Lordships shall see fit to direct.

34. We have received petitions for similar Provisional Orden from the governing bodies of the following towns, vix.—Newtown-ards, Westport, Ballina, and Belturbet, all governed by Commissioners under the Towns Improvement Act of 1584. In these cases the Balturbet precedings have alone been brought to a conclusion, the Cunad Jury at the Manch Assizes having refused and Ballina Provisional Orders are in progress, which will be laid leften the respective Grand Juries for their assent at the naxt Summer Assizes. In the case of Newtownards the preliminary inquiry is still peaking.

35. We have issued sanction for loans for public purposes in the following cases: Hollywood (sounty Down) for construction of Waterworks, Aughnacley for erection of Town Hall, Ellihay and Ballybrack Township for construction of waterworks, Ballynaty for construction of waterworks, Ballyman for the improvement of graveyards, and in the latter case we have also approved a cauch of the for interments.

36. An application having been made for extension of the boundary of the town of Contstown by the Town Commissioners it was found, on preliminary inquiry by the Inspector, that the ground alleged for such extension in the petition was not supported by the facts of the case, and a Provisional Order was therefore not issued

therefore not issued

We have been applied to for confirmation of certain By-laws,
and for our consent to the alteration of fair days in certain cases,
and no objections having come to our knowledge, have executed
our powers in a few such cases.

37. The most important of the petitions for a Provisional Order

has come to us from the Town Connoil of the borough of Belfast seeding powers for the compulsory purchase of property within the borough required for widening the streets, and for other useful weeks, including the erection of public baths and wash-houses, the formation of a People's garden, extended borrowing powers, and other alternitons of the Local Acts; and we are about to issue a Provisional Order adopting the several measures proposed in the petitions with one or two modifications.

38. A menorial from residents in the Clandskin Dispensary District of South Dublin Union for closing the Blue Bul graveyard and prohibiting futures burials therein, has been for some time under consideration together with the objections to that purposal from parties withing to continue to bury thers. We trust we may be enabled to accomplish this find encourse of time with as little violence as possible to feelings which ought to be respected, and that a new centerty available for this part of the suburds of Dublin will result from the proceedings, as well as the decent enclosure of the old burial ground.\*

39. The function defined by the 49th and 68th sections of the Sanitary Act. 1866, which empowered the Lord Lieutenant on the default made by any Sewer Authority or Nuisance Authority in not performing certain prescribed duties, to appoint a person to perform the same at the expense of the district, has devolved on the Local Government Board, and together with the subsequent Acts authorizing the direct levy of rates, and the borrowing of loans for such purposes entails a serious responsibility on this department in regard to towns in Ireland, the Governing Bodies of which, as too frequently is the case, neglect the performance of their sanitary duties. We have received several complaints of such defaults as those above referred to from parties calling for the application of these summary powers at the expense of the localities in question. We have always, in such cases, entered into correspondence with the Governing Body, whose default has been made the subject of complaint, and a more active attention to the sanitary state of the towns has sometimes followed thereon, but in other cases the terms of the statute have been taken advantage of to postpone action as much as possible without incurring absolute default; and, in fine, we have not yet found ourselves in a position to exercise these powers in any case. We feel at the same time that it is desirable, if possible, to avoid their exercise for the present, when a Bill is about to be submitted by the Chief Secretary to Parliament, defining with exactness the responsibilities of urban and rural Sanitary Authorities after the example of the English Public Health Act of 1872.

In the meantime we may here call attention to the successful way in which water supply has been carried out by paid officers at Millstreet on the dissolution of the Board of Guardians of that Union, as referred to in a previous paragraph. Such procedure, however, is not, in the present state of the law, applicable to Authorities. But the Boards of Guardians are not the Sanitary Authorities.

<sup>\*</sup> See Correspondence, Appendix C II., p. 106.

#### DEPARTMENTAL ARRANGEMENTS.

40. The transition effected by the Local Government Board (Ireland) Act has not been retended by any addition to the office staff of the department, or by any increase of the public charge; on the continny there is a slight reduction in this branch of the estimate notwithsteading the appointment of an additional auditor, increasing the number from five to six, insamuch as a portion of the salary of each autitor is now repayable by the towns and

Lunatic kaylum Districts.

By the himmented death of the late Poor Law Auditor, Mr. James Martin of Ross, a vacancy took place in April, 1872, which was filled up by the appointment of 3M: Henry Mercidit Cruise. On the 25th September, 1872, insuediately efter the receipt of the Royal Warrant under the Local Government Deard Act, we applied to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for permission to appoint an additional auditor, and for their for permission to appoint an additional auditor, and for their of the section of that Act, which sanction we received on the 11th of November following.

The correspondence relating thereto will be found in the appendix.\*

We have the honour to be

Your Excellency's obedient faithful servants,

Hartington.
A. Power.
T. H. Burke.
J. M'Donnell, M.D.
R. M. Bellew.

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# APPENDIX.

#### APPENDIX A.

ORDER, CIRCULARS OF INSTRUCTIONS, AND CORRES.
PONDENCE UNDER THE POOR LAW ACTS.

L—GENERAL ORDER REGULATING THE MODE OF VOTING AT MEETINGS OF BOARDS OF GUARDIANS.

To the Guardians of the Poor of the several Unions named in the SCHEDULE hereunto annexed, and to all other Persons whom it may concern:

Wheness, by a Geneal Order under Seal, bearing date the Ninsteads day of January, 1889, the Commissioners for administering the Leven for Keilef of the Poor in Ireland did issue Rules and Regulation from ducting the Meetings and Proceedings of Boards of Guardians of the several Unions throughout Ireland, wherein among other things they did order and direct as follows, that is to say:

Artisle 11.—Every question at any Meeting consisting of more than three Guardians shall be determined by a majority of the votes of the Guardians present thereat and voting on the question; and when there shall be an equal number of votes on any question such question shall be deemed to have been lost.

And whereas we, the Local Government Board for Ireland, deem it expedient to amend the said above recited Article: Now therefore, in exercise of the powers vested in the Local Govern-

ment Board for Ireland by "The Loud (Government Board (Ireland) Act, 1873," and by the Act in force for the Relief of the Poor in Ireland, we, the Loud Government Board for Ireland hereby order and declare that from and after the data hereof the Globwing shall be the Artille to be observed at all future Meetings of the Guardinas of each and every Union amount in the Schodule hereunto annexed as part of their Proceedings, instead of the above rection Article 11 prescribed in the said General Order of the Nincestant Aut of January, 1832, that is to say;

Article 11.—Every question at any Meeting of Guardinas shall be determined by a majority of the votes of the Guardinas present thereat and voting on the question; and when there shall be an equal number of votes on any question such question shall be deemed to have been lost: and all such votes shall be given openly, and not by Ballot or in any other secret manner. SCHEDULE containing the NAMES of the UNIONS to which the present ORDER applies.

Abbeyleix, ,	Ciaremorris,	Granurd,	Nenago,
Antrim,	Cliften,	Inishowen,	Newcastle,
Ardec,	Clogheen,	Irvinestown,	Newport,
Armagh,	Clogher,	Kanturk,	New Ross,
Athlone,	Clonakilty,	Kells,	Newry.
Athy,	Clones,	Keumare,	Newtownsrds,
Bailieborougu,	Clonmel,	Kilkeel,	N.T. Limavady,
Ballina,	Coleraine,	Kilkenny,	Oldea-tle,
Bailmaslos,	Cookstown,	Killadysert,	Omagh,
Baltinrobe,	Cootshill,	Killsla,	Oughterard,
Bathreastie,	Cork,	Killarney,	Parsonstown.
Ballymahon.	Corrotta.	Kilmugthomas,	Portumna.
Ballymena,	Croom.	Kilmallock,	Buthdown.
Ballymoney,	Delvin.	Kilrush.	Rathdrum.
Ballyshannou.	Dingle.	Kinsale.	Rathkenle.
Ballyraghan,	Donnghmore,	Large.	Rescommon.
Balrotbery.	Doneral.	Letterkenny.	Roserea.
Baltinglass,	Dawnratrick.	Limerick.	Seariff.
Banbridge.	Drogheds,	Lisburn.	Shillelagh,
Bandon.	Dromore, West,	Lismore.	Skibberren.
Bantry,	Dublin, North,	Lisuaskea.	Skull.
Bawnboy,	Dublin, South,	Listowel	Stige.
Belfast.	Dundalk.	Londonderry.	Strabane.
Belmullet.	Dunfanaghy.	Longford.	Strangelar.
Borrisokane,	Dungannon.	Loughres.	Strokestown.
Boyle.	Dungaryan.	Lurgan.	Swineford,
Caherciveen.	Dunman way.	Macroom,	Thomastown,
Callan.	Dunshaughlin,	Magherafelt,	Thuries,
Carlow.	Edenderry.	Mullow.	Tipperary,
Carrickmacross.	Ennis.	Manorhamilton.	Tobercarry,
Carrick-on-Shannon.	Euniscorthy,	Midlet on.	Traice.
Carrick-on-Suit.	Enniskillen,	Milford.	Trim.
Carbel.	Ennistymon.	Millstreet.	Tuam.
Castlebar.	Fermor.	Mitchelstown,	Tulia.
Castlebiarner.	Galway,	Mobill.	Tallamore,
Castleoomer.	Glennamaddy.	Monaghan,	Urlingford,
Castlederg,	Glenties.	Mount Bellew,	Waterford.
Castleren.	Glin,	Mount melick,	Westeriord,
Castletown.	Gorer,	Mountaintener,	Westport,
Cavan.	Gort,	Mullingar, Nass.	Wexford
Cubridge,	Gortin,	A 100,	Youghnl.
Cercinoge,	dorus,	Navan,	

Sealed with our Seal, this Fourteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-three.

> (Signed), A. Power. J. M'Donnell. R. M. Bellew.

### SPENCER.

I, JOHN POYNTZ, EARL SPENCES, Lord Lieutenant-General and General Governor of Ireland, do hereby approve this Order.

By Command of His Excellency.

T. H. BURKE.

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# No. 1.-Juries Act Amendment (Treland).

Poor Law Commission Office, Dublin.

SIR. 8th July, 1872. Adverting to their circular letter of the 12th October last, transmit-

ting extracts from "The Juries (Ireland) Act, 1871," the Commissioners for administering the Laws for the Relief of the Poor in Ireland desire to acquaint you that an Act to amend that Act in certain particulars has

been passed, and received the Royal Assent on the 27th ultimo. The only nortions of the Amendment Act, however, which appear to affect the duties of Clerks of Unions, as set forth in the original Act.

are sections 2 and 4.

Section 3 provides that the parts of the original Act which relate to the preparation of the General Lists of Jurors, and certain other matters, shall come into operation on the 30th June, 1872, and it follows, therefore, that the first of August next is the date on or before which the first General List of Jurors is to be prepared and delivered.

Section 4 provides that when a person is, pursuant to section 5 of the original Act, deemed to be resident within a county of a city or town or borough, in respect of his counting house, office, shop, or place of business, such counting-house, office, shop, or place of business shall, in the proper column of the General List of Jurors containing such person's name, he stated as the place of abode of such person.

The Commissioners understand that this last-mentioned provision applies only to the counties of the cities of Dublin, Cork, Limerick, Waterford, and Kilkenny; to the counties of the towns of Galway, Drogleda, and Carrickfergus; and to the boroughs of Belfast and Londonderry.

Copies of sections 2 and 4 of the Amendment Act (35 & 36 Vic., c. 25) and also a copy of section 5 of the original Act (34 & 35 Vic., c. 65). which is referred to in section 4 of the Amendment Act, are annexed.

> By order of the Commissioners. B. BANKS, Chief Clerk.

To the Clerk of each Union.

No. 2.—Questions arising under the Jurors Act. 1871. Local Government Board, Dublin. Sir, 24th January, 1873.

The Local Government Board for Ireland have received from the Chief Secretary's Department a copy of a letter addressed to the Chief Secretary of His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant by a Clerk of a Union in the month of October last requesting advice, with reference to the precept (Form A) transmitted by the Clerks of the Peace for counties in Ireland to the Clerks of Poor Law Unions under the Jurors Act (Ireland), 1871, whether the Clerks of Unions have only to do with occupiers, or whether the prescribed qualification may be made up of rating either as occupier or lessor, or both jointly.

The Law Officers have given their oninion on this question to the effect that in ascertaining the qualification of a Juror (save in the city of Dublin, to which the 35 & 36 Vic., ch. 25, sec. 6, applies) property to which such Juror is rated, either as occupier or otherwise, may and ought to be taken into account.

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The Law Officers have at the same time stated that they think it is naivable that particular Clerks of Unions should apply to the Clief Secretary directly fee opinions on constructions of Acts of Parliament, more aspecially when, as in the present case, the application is made at a period after the time fixed for the discharge of the duties of such clerk for the current year.

By order of the Board, B. Banna

To the Clerk of each Union.

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No. 3.—Voteng by Ballot at Boards of Guardians.

Local Government Board, Dublin, 25th March, 1873.

The Local Government Board for Freland having had occasion to address the Guncilane of some Unions remonstrating against the practice of deciding questions leftors the Board by rotes given by ballot, and having found that the practice still containes in some of those Unions, have issued, with the approval of His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, an order to amend Article 11 of the General Regulations for conducting the proceedings at meetings of Boards of Guncilans, such large republished by hallot or in surv other passues.

It has been thought expedient to make the Order a General Order, and a conv thereof is accordingly enclosed herewith.\*

By order of the Board,

The Clerk of the Union,

No. 4.—Admission of Strangers to Workhouse.

Poor Law Commission Office, Dublin, 15th July, 1872.

Size, 15th July, 1872.

The Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in Ireland transmit to you herewith a copy of a memorandum submitted to the Government by the Laspactor-General of Constabulary, in which he suggests that the Constabulary in the neighbourhood of the Worthouse should be informed when any respons whose anomatone, &c.

is such as to excite suspicion obtains admission to the Workshot Office of The Commissioners understand that a copy of the Hard-and-Ory is regreated. The Commissioners understand that a copy of the Hard and the test of the Hard and the Har

The Commissioners request, therefore, that the Guardians will be so good as to communicate this circular and the Inspector-General's memo-

\* See Order, page 37,

randum to the Master of the Workhouse, with instructions to act in accordance therewith. The porter of the Workhouse should also be made aware of these instructions.

### By order of the Commissioners.

B. Banks, Chief Clerk.

To the Clerk of each Union.

# Memorandum of Inspector-General of Constabulary.—(Enclosed in foregoing Circular.)

# SUBMITTED:

I heg to bring under the notice of Government the following circumstances, with a view, if it is considered desirable, to the attention of the Poor Law Commissions heling called thereto, in order that the Constabulary in the neighborshood of Union Workhouses may be apprized whenever any suspicious looking persons gain admission to those institutions.

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believe that it is not an uncensuon practice for women who are approaching their continuents to go to a Workboar at a distance from where they recible, and when discharged, either to desert or make any with their dislican. They we thus better allo to conceal their critics, being unknown in the healily. I am not waver whether a record is made of the names, places of realistics, e.e., of person ordering Workshows, but it would in a measure mired the energy of the contraction of the contraction of the contraction of the information in question was communicated to the local Constability.

suspicion.

J. Stewart-Wood, Inspector-General.

19th June, 1872.

No. 5.—Superannuation Allowances to Union Officers.

Poor Law Commission Office, Dublin, Str., 6th Scotember, 1872.

The Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in Ireland desire to state, for the information of the Board of Guardians, that an Act was passed in the last Session of Parliament (35 & 36 Vic. esp. 89) to amend the Union Officers Supermunuation Act of 1895, which contains the following provisions:—

- I. The Superintendent Registrar of Birtls, Deaths, and Marriages (being also Clerk of the Union) and the Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, are to be deemed Officers within the operation of the Union Officers Superannuation Act (23 Vic. can. 26).
- II. In computing the salary of any Union Officer under the Super-annuation Acts, the amount of the encluments of his office on the average of the three years concluded in the last preceding quarter may be taken into consideration by the Guardians.

By order of the Commissioners, B. Banks, Chief Clerk.

To the Clerk of each Union.

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# No. 6 -Superannuation Allowances to Union Officers

Local Government Board, Dublin.

SIR. 19th October, 1872. The Local Government Board for Ireland desire to inform you

that questions have arisen as to the manner in which superannuation allowances to Union Officers are affected by the recent Act 35 & 36 Vic. cap. 89, passed on the 10th August last, for amending the previous Act providing such allowances. The Union Officers Superannuation Act, 28 Vic., cap. 26, passed on

26th May, 1865, made the superannuation allowances chargeable to the same account as that to which the salary of the officer superannuated had been charmed

The Medical Officers Superannuation Act, 32 & 33 Vic., cap. 50, passed on 2nd August, 1869, enabled the Guardians of Unions to grant superannuation allowances to Medical Officers under the provisions of the previous Act, 28 Vic., cap. 26, notwithstanding that they may not have devoted their entire time to the services of the Union. The superannuation allowances so granted were, as in the case of other Officers charged to the same account as that to which the salaries had been charged.

The recent Act 35 & 36 Vic., cap. 89, enacts that the Superintendeut Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Mauriages appointed in any Union in Ireland, being also the clerk of such Uniou, and the Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, shall be deemed Officers within the operation of the Act 28 Vic., cap. 26; and that in computing the salary of any Officer of a Union under the recited Act, and this Act, the amount of the emoluments of his office on the average of the three years concluded in the last preceding quarter may be taken into calculation by the Guardians, and the allowance awarded in respect thereof shall be charged upon the Rates of the Union at large.

It will thus be seen that superannuation allowances granted prior to the passing of the Act 35 & 36 Vic., cap. 89, are chargeable in the same way as the salary of the Officer superennuated, and that allowances

granted subsequently are chargeable upon the Union at large.

In order to show clearly in future the full extent of superunnuation expenses, and for convenience in regard to the accounts of the Union. the Board desire to state, that a new account should be opened in the ledger, entitled "Officers' Superannuation Account," which should be debited with all superannuation allowances (not distinguishing the Acts under which they arise); and the account should be credited by apportionment of the expenses direct to Electoral Divisions according to their chargeability.

In the half-yearly abstracts of the accounts the superannuation expenses must be entered in a special column, headed "Expenditure under the Superannuation Acts," outside the Poor Law expenditure, in the same manner as the Registration and sanitary expenses are entered.

By order of the Board,

B. BANKS.

To the Clerk of each Union.

# No. 7.— Preparations to meet Pressure of Distress during the WINTER.

Poor Law Commission Office, Dublin. Sur. 24th September, 1872.

The Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in Iroland desire to draw the attention of the Board of Guardians to the state of the potato crop in Ireland, to the increase in the cost of the necessaries of life, and especially in the price of fuel as making it most probable that an unusual degree of pressure may shortly take place upon the funds provided for the relief of the destitute poor,

Under these circumstances the Guardians of every Union will no doubt acknowledge the necessity of being prepared in due time for the possibility of an increased number of applications for relief; and that in the making of future rates it will be thought prudent in every sense, and especially for the interest of the ratepayers, that a liberal margin should be allowed for the possible contingencies of the season, so as to avoid if practicable, the necessity for making supplemental rates, and for taking contracts at disadvantage on account of want of funds and postponed payment for supplies.

The sanitary precautions usually adopted at this season of the year, such as placing the drains and sewers in order and thoroughly cleansing and limewashing every part of the Workhouse, will no doubt be scrupulously attended to by the Guardians, and every necessary step taken for securing ventilation as far as practicable, under the advice and supervision of the Medical Officer.

A further sanitary precantion of much importance is the provision. beforehand, of ample stocks of bedding and clothing, to meet any degree of pressure on the Workhouse which is likely to occur. If the Guardians permit themselves to be surprised by a large accession of numbers without having adequate supplies of clothing at their disposal, the newly admitted inmates may have to wear, for a time, the clothing in which they were admitted, to the detriment of their own health, and at the risk of introducing contagious disease into the Workhouse.

It is unnecessary to dwell on the paramount importance of making contracts for the supply of articles of food of good quality and seeing to the faithful execution thereof by the contractors. The chief components in the Workhouse dietaries are cereal food, and other vegetable produce. and milk; and it is manifest that any defect in the quality of those articles must materially detract from the sufficiency of the dietary in respect of untriment. Of equal, if not greater importance, is the quality of the meat, spirits, wine, and other medical comforts provided for the use of the sick in hospital.

It is likely that the Guardians will place their main reliance on the vacant room in the Workhouse, as the most efficient means of meeting a possible increased pressure of distress; and in reference to able-bodied adult inmates of either sex and their dependents, this view is in perfect accordance with the letter and spirit of the Irish Poor Relief Acts. The Guardians will bear in mind, at the same time, that certain classes of destitute poor, designated in the first section of the 10th Vic., cap. 31, are relievable either in or out of the Workhouse, and that the power of giving out-relief may be occasionally exercised with advantage in cases which fall strictly within the provisions above referred to.

By order of the Commissioners. B. Banks, Chief Clerk.

To the Clerk to each Union.

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No. I.—Extract from Guardians' Minutes of Wednesday, 29th January, 1873.

Read,—Letter from Mr. M'Cormick of Boffin relative to the state of the islands of Inishboffin and Shark. Ordered that the Relieving Officer proceed to Inishboffin and Shark

Ordered that the Relieving Officer proceed to Inishboffin and Shark and report to the Board on this day week.

Ou consideration of the present state of the Union it was unanimously

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REDOLYM.—That deep distress arising from want of first and foot just with a present throughout the district of Comemons; this in residents, we can state without the highest four of contenticion, that we have no entantic in the state of the content of the quantity of positions to be found that was last year, and that even this small portion out to all brings own to maturity be believed to be mift for seed food in the content of the content of the content of the confeded, and that from the like more of the content of the confeded, and that from the like more of the content of the confedence of the content of the cont

That we, therefore, deem it our duty to earnestly call the attention of the Government to this serious state of things with the view of devising some adequate means for the relief of the people, by opening some source of employment as all local efforts would be ineffectual.

## No. 2.—LETTER from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD to the BOARD of GUARDIANS.

Sir, Local Government Board, Dublin, 4th February, 1873.

The Local Government Board for Irodand have had before them the minutes of precedings of the Board of Guardians of the Childra Trains on the 24th ulto, containing a resolution in which the Guardians draw states to the destination arise from vant of finel and food data prevails throughout the district of Connensars, with a view of devising some adequate reasons for the relief of the people, by opening some source of exployment.

The Guardians state that all local efforts would be ineffectual to relieve

the distress represented to exist; and in reference thereto the Board request that they may be informed whether any local effort has yet been made to this end, and if any, of what nature, and to what extent. There appears to be ample accommodation in the Workhouse, and

There appears to be ample accommodation in the Workhouse, and according to the entry on the Guardians' minutes there are no patients in the Fever Hospital.

The powers of the Local Government Board under sec. 2 of 10 Vic., c. 31, could not be exercised under such circumstances.

By order of the Board,

B BINKS

To the Clerk, Clifden Union, county Galway, NO. 3.—MEMORIAL of the CATHOLIC CLERGY OF CONNEMARIA to HIS EXCELLENCY the LORD LIEUTENANT OF IRELAND; REFERRED by HIS EXCELLENCY to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD for REPORT.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We the Catabolic elergy of Commemora most respectfully invite the attention of the Irich Executive to the great districts unfortunately prevalent throughout the entire of this remote district. There is no scarce. There are no second of the product of the second of the district of both those necessaries of life; and as the season advances, the districts will become more interest and viriesperad. We may also desirates of the thousam more interest and viriesperad. We may also come for seed. The corn of last year's growth was nearly also should find. Last year's points produce was far from being laif manured, so that the product of the product of the product of the product with the product of the product of the product of the product of role is not be used as seed, the product of the product of the product he result is producted finalise.

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We pary Your Excellency to excess the following brief digression that is suggested by the fact of the boats being weather boards, and that to the imminent peril of the lives of many the boards, and that to the imminent peril of the lives of many the boards of the massis between Galways and Commentar are telding that the part of that is inserting district is in a state of soni-larkarian in that respect, which of Coverments nor inallowind have made one for the railway or transvay on the forty trials miles that separate Galway as well as

We take leave to auggest to your Excellency that any organization leased on begging for the relief of an homest people must end in failure, because impracticable in a poor district like this. Employment alone is the medium of relief for an able-bodied people who are willing to earn their bread and quite unwilling to subsist on medileancy.

An houset high-spirited people ask leave to live by labour, and they and we hope that there will be no overstrain put on the corelative duty of Government to come thus to the succour of an industrious and loyal people.

As your Excellency has many channels of accurate information relative to the existence of distress in our district, we can have no migricing that our respectful statement can or will be suspected of exaggration; or of the slightest into of colouring. We, therefore, do hope that employment will be given without delay, leaving to Government the election of public works, and any other measures for the relief of a de-election of public works, and any other measures for the relief of a de-

serving people. We do, however, say emphatically that if these measures be neglected or deferred, the consequences shall be sad.

We have, &c. PATRICK MACMANUS, P.P. of Clifden.

and DEAN of Tuam, Chairman JOHN P. CANNING, C.C., Secretary. WILLIAM SCULLY, P.P. of MOYPUS. HUBERT FENERAN, R.C.A. of Ballinskill, JOSEPH A. MOLONEY, B.C.A., Roundstone. MATHIAS LAVELLE, R.C.C., MOVINS JAMES LEE, R.C.C., Roundstone, MICHAEL CURRAN, R.C.C., Clifden, THOMAS BRENNAN, R.C.C., Clifden.

No. 4.—LETTER from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD for IRELAND to Dr. BRODIE, Inspector,

> Local Government Board, Dublin. 4th February, 1873.

Str. The Local Government Board for Ireland have directed to be transmitted to you the accompanying Memorial from the Roman Catholic clergy of Connemars to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, drawing attention to the alleged destitution, arising from want of fuel and food. which prevails in that locality; and I am to request that you will be so good as to furnish the Board with a Report on the subject for His Excellency's information.

By order, &c., B. BANKS.

To Dr. Brodie, Inspector, Galway. No. 5.—Letter from the Local Government Board for Ireland

to the UNDER SECRETARY of the LORD LIEUTENANT.

Local Government Board, Dublin, SIR, 4th February, 1873. The Local Government Board for Ireland acknowledge the receipt of the Memorial referred to them on the 3rd instant, which was addressed to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant by the Roman Catholic

clergy of Connemara, in which attention is drawn to the alleged destitution, arising from want of food and fuel, in that locality; and the Board desire to inform you that they have directed their Inspector, Dr. Brodie, to furnish them with a Report on the subject. The Board think it right, at the same time, to state, for His Excellency's information, that there is accommodation for 790 inmates in the

Workhouse of the Clifden Union, in which Conneman is situate, while there are only 137 inmates at present therein, and in the Fever Hospital, which is now empty, there is accommodation for 32 patients. There appear to be about 37 cases of out-door relief in the Union.

which includes 76 persons. By order, &c.,

B. BANES. To T. H. Burke, esq., &c., &c., Dublin Castle.

### No. 6.—Extract from Guardians' Minutes of Wednesday, 5th February, 1873.

READ,—Letter from Relieving Officer, John J. Connolly, relative to the Island of Boffin, &c., &c., which is forwarded herewith.

GENTLEMEN.

5th February, 1873.

In socrelance with the directions of the Board Meeting, 26th utiliza, I lags to specif that I whited the Izland of Inmishodin, Insulge three on the 36th or specif that I whited the Izland of Inmishodin, Insulge three on the 36th of the weather their go rough). The analizer state of that Island is misliment of the weather than the Insulger of the weather than the Insulger and insulgering the sunds for the weather for the Insulger and insulgering the sunds for the weat of food, in consequence of the failure in the potent corp hast learner, answer to get come fifth, which is not balloul at this season. I am of the Insulger of the Island, Every person thereon (who are able to bey or get on early year and the come of the protection of the Island I server person thereon (who are able to bey or get on early year that the protection which is the Island I server person thereon (who are able to bey or get on early year that the the protection when the Island I server person thereon (who are able to beyor age on early year and year the protection when I server person thereon (who are able to beyor age on early year and ye

I may add, that many persons resident on the island will not get credit, as the meal merchants see to chance of receiving back cash for what they would give cut. I gave provisional ruleif to some whom I found to be much in want,

hoping such will meet your approval.

In consequence of such poverty existing, I hope the Board will appoint a facilizing Giften for the Islands of Boffin and Slauric, as it would be impossible for one who resides in Clifden to be able to attend to the wants of the poor on those island.

I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

J. J. Connormy, Relieving Officer.

No. 7.—Letter from the Rev. Hubert Fenneran to the Chief Secretary of the Lord Lieutenant, referred to the Local

GOVERNMENT BOARD for REPORT.

Tully, Letterfrack, co. Galway, February 5, 1873.

The Rev. Huhert Fenneran, Romau Catholic administrator of the arishes of Ballinakill and Innishoffin, presents his compliments to the

parishes of Eallinskill and Innisboffin, presents his compliments to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, and considers it his painful duty to lay before him the distress and the prespects of great destitution that at present exist amongst the inhabitauts of the Islands of Innisboffin and Innisbark.

These islands, situated about seven miles from the mainland, nhunber about 240 families, who derive their subsistance from the cultivation of the had and from fishing. The potato corp—their principal food—the land and from fishing. The potato corp—their principal food—as a size of the contract of the

scription.
There is no employment whatsoever on the island. The good roads

that were once on the island are going into utter decay, not a shilling having been spent on them for years, although the people are paying taxes annually for their repairs. The traders, seeing the poor people so circumstanced, seeing no prospect of being paid their money if they give credit, have now refused to do so. If something he not done to remedy this sad state of things, I fear the consequences will be alarming. It is to be hoped you will take such steps as will seem good and proper to you to alleviate this distress. I have given a plain statement of the way these poor islanders are situated, and any person visiting the islands will see at once that it is not an exaggerated oue.

No. 8.-LETTER from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD to Dr. BRODIE.

Local Government Board, Dublin, SIE. 13th February, 1873.

The Local Government Board for Ireland have directed to be forwarded to you the accompanying communication from the Rev. Hubert Feneran, P.P., which has been referred to them from the Chief Secretary's office, on the subject of alleged distress and destitution among the inhabitants of the Islands of Inishboffiu and Innishark; and I am to request that you will be good enough to make inquiry into the matter, and report to the Board thereon.

By order of the Board.

To Dr. Brodie, Inspector.

B. Banks.

No. 9.—Report from Dr. Brodie to the Local Government BOARD.

GENTLEMEN.

Galway, 14th February, 1873. I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 4th inst transmitting a memorial from the Roman Catholic clergy of Connemara to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant drawing attention to the alleged destitution arising from want of food and fuel which prevails

in that locality, and requesting that I would report on the subject. I beg to report that within the present week, and as early as other duties permitted, I have visited several districts of the Clifden Union, and made particular inquiry into the condition of the inhabitants as

regards immediate and probable destitution.

That there has been an adverse season, and one of recurring distress, on the west coast is quite true, and any remarks to be made upon it is only a twice-told tale. In the early part of 1862 it became my duty to report upon the subject, and again at a later period of the year 1867; things are not so bad now as in 1862, but the main features of my report of 1867, may be reproduced with perfect appropriateness to present circumstances. I beg to append extracts from the report of 1867 for the information of His Excellency. Of the scarcity of turf in some portions of the union there can be no question, but with a short continuance of the present favourable change in the weather a large quantity of the turf lying on the hogs can be used; this is a matter that is admitted by the memorialists to require no special means of relief.

Owing to the detention of boats in Galway in consequence of severe

weather, there was a scarcity of food in the district for some time before the date of the memorial to His Excellency, and in the absence of supplies of meal and flour the stock of potatoes that might have been preserved for seed was of necessity drawn upon; there is now no starcity of bread stuffs for those who have means to buy. Indian meal is selling at the rate of 8s. 6d. per cwt. for ready moncy, and 10s. per cwt. to those who buy on credit.

The potato crop of last year was had in the district, and many of the small landholders are at present without potatoes for food or seed. They were sold in the Clifden market on Saturday last at the rate of 6d, and 7d per stone.

The oat crop of last year was bad in yield and quality.

As a matter of course the persons of this class now obliged to go into the market to provide food for their families, and continue to do so until next harvest will have, perhaps, too severe a strain upon their

resources, and may in some cases be insufficient to carry them through that period without aid from some quarter. It is I have reason to believe, a fact that traders are not disposed this

year to extend the usual amount of credit to those who may require it : this will be injuriously felt both in providing sustenance and in tilling the land. The making of kelp is a great source of credit, and of obtaining pro-

spective advances to the people along the west coast. Last year Mr. Hazell, agent to a Glasgow Company, advanced £8,000 to persons in the Clifflen Union on the faith of their recoving with kelp. I understand that the kelp supplied on these advances was of the value of £22,000. It is feared that on account of a fall in the price of iodine the advances

on the security of keln will be much restricted in the coming season, and if so, the limitations of credit, joined with that of dealers in bread stuffs will add to the other causes of distress.

The class entirely dependent on daily labour is very limited, and henceforth there will be full demand for the services of the labourer. Mr. Mitchell Henry, M.P. for the county, has given instructions to give

employment to every person seeking it, and consequently there is no distress amongst the labouring class in the neighbourhood of Kylemore and Letterfrack. For the past five weeks he has afforded daily employment to about 250 boys, receiving from 4s. to 6s. 6d., and men from 8s.

to 13s. per week; the amount thus expended exceeded £500.

I attended the meeting of the Clifden Board of Guardians, on Wednesday the 12th inst., the Very Rev. Mr. M Manus and others of the memorialists were present. It was admitted that no local effort had been made, or attempted, to aid those who need assistance. The applicants for relief were rather large, but presented no signs of extreme destitution ; some were able bodied men and women who evidently had no intention of becoming immates of the workhouse; they applied for means to provide spades or baskets, induced to do so by the fact that the Guardians at their previous meeting made up a subscription for some few persons for those purposes. I directed the attention of the relieving officers specially to their powers in "cases of sudden and urgent necessity," and recommended to the Guardians a liberal exercise of their own discretion according to the laws in force, and I feel bound to state that they evinced the best disposition to deal liberally with every application for relief. The number of workhouse inmates was 143, as compared with 125 at the same date in 1872, and on outdoor relief 156, as against sixty-seven last

The outdoor relief list gives substantial proof of a liberal application

of the law. The sanitary state of the district does not indicate the pressure of severe want.

The matter of chief consideration is plainly the present condition of the occupiers of small holdings of land, and their prospects until next harvest. This I think is clearly enough indicated in the foregoing remarks. Of the policy of giving governmental aid to that class in seasons of distress, or of affording it, as suggested by memorialists, by means of public works, it is not my province to speak. A better means of transit. by railway or tramway, would certainly prevent the temporary dearth of food caused by weather-bound and provision-laden boats which were lately detained for fully three weeks in the docks at Galway.

With reference to the letter of the Rev. Mr. Fenneran to the Chief Secretary, dated 5th inst., received by me on yesterday, regarding the state of the people in the Islands of Innisboffin and Innishark, I beg to say that the inhabitants of those islands are suffering from the adverse causes specified. The potato crop was a partial failure, and fishing-their principal resource-on account of the unfavourable character of the

weather was also a failure.

From want of fodder and the inclemency of the weather the cattle must have suffered, and probably a few have died, but this can have occurred only to a very limited extent, and I cannot regard it of itself as a ground for an application for special relief. The poor neonle of these islands will, I have no doubt be straitened in means until favourable weather for fishing sets in, say six weeks hence.

I have no reason to doubt of the limitation of credit by provision dealers there as well as on the mainland, and consequent hardship upon those who have no resources to fall back upon, until a favourable time

for fishing shall have arrived.

The Rev. Mr. Fenneran who was present at the Board's meeting on Wednesday last, stated to me that if the inhabitants of the islands were enabled to subsist until, say the 1st of April, the commencement of the fishing season, they would require no further aid.

> I have the honour to remain, gentlemen, Your obedient servant.

> > T. BRODIE.

Extracts from Dr. Brodie's Report dated 4th May, 1867. enclosed in foregoing Report.

" From the causes mentioned provisions are necessarily scarce. Indeed for a short time whilst had weather prevailed, boats going round from Galway to Clifilen, the scarcity was severely felt, the heavy expense of land carriage over a distance of 40 Irish miles preventing traders from procuring supplies in that way. Almost every recond person I met on the road between Clifden and Roundstone was travelling to the former place to purchase Indian meal

"The dealers in provisions refuse this season to give credit as they have done in former years, which indicates at once the extensive demand for food, and the

exhausted means of the people to provide and pay for them.

"There is no employer of labour in the district except Mr. Henry, an English gentleman, who is about to settle in the Electoral Division of Cush Killery. He and the contractor, who is building a mansion for him at Kylemore Pass, give daily employment to about 100 persons, at wages ranging from 7s. to 10s. per

"The Law Life Co. exercises landlord rights over extensive estates in Connemara, and it is to be hoped that the steps to alleviate distress will be promptly taken, and that they will assume a practically liberal form, adapted to the necessities of the people. A good example set by this influential corporation, recognising the obligation of relieving the wants and improving the condirion of their tenants would probably have a beneficial effect, by inducing other

proprietors to do likewise.\*

The majority of landholders below the rank of middle class formers will require The sujective of mathedates below the rank of middle class formers will require sintense of good subapt until harvest. It is, perhaps, hoped uny province to missione of good subapt until harvest. It is, perhaps, hoped uny province to resident the property of the province of the property of the province of the provinc and it would be the means of improving their condition, of adding to their own and the resources of the country.

No. 10.-LETTER from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD for IRE-LAND to the HADRE SECRETARY of the LORD LIEUTENAME

SIR.

Local Government Board, Dublin. February 17, 1873.

With reference to their letter of the 4th inst., in regard to the memorial from the Roman Catholic clergy of Connemara to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, drawing attention to the alleged destitution arising from want of fuel and food which prevails in that locality, the Local Government Board for Ireland have the honour to state that they have now received from their Inspector, Dr. Brodie, his report on this subject, as well as on the alleved distress in the islands of Inishboffin and Inishark, as described in the communication from the Rev. Hubert Fenneran, which was referred to the Board on the 11th inst.

The Local Government Board for Ireland beg to enclose a copy of the report for His Excellency's information.

By order of the Commissioners,

B. Banks, Chief Clerk,

To T. H. Burke, esq., &c., &c., Dublin Castle.

No. 11 .- EXTRACT from the GUARDIANS' MINUTES dated 12th February, 1873.

No. 4,167/73 .- Clifden Union.

RESOLVED :- That Dr. Brodie, Local Government Inspector, having drawn the Board's attention to the Local Government Board's letter, No. 2,793, "relative to the destitution arising from want of fuel, &c."-the Board beg to state that no local efforts have been made by the gentry in this country for the alleviation of the distress now existing here, as stated in the resolution of the 29th January, 1873.

<sup>\*</sup> The property has since passed into the hands of a London gentleman named Mr. Richard Berridge.

No. 12.—LETTER from the UNDER SECRETARY of the LORD LIEST-TENANT to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD for IRELAND

> Dublin Castle. 6th March, 1873

SIR.

I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to transmit to you, for the information of the Local Government Board, the enclosed copy of a Constabulary report, relative to the destitution existing in the islands of Inishboffin and Inishshark, together with copy of a letter, addressed by direction of His Excellency, to the Secretary of the Grand Jury of the county Galway on the subject.

I am. sir. Your obedient servant,

T. H. BURER

R. Banks, esq., Local Government Board.

ENCLOSURES in No. 12.

(a). Constabulary Report. County of Galway, W.R.

Allened Destitution in Boffia and Shark Islands.

Clifden, March 3, 1873.

They to state I received the annexed file on 28th ultimo, and at once proecolog to Boffin on 1st instant. I went to Shark, and returned to Boffin on 2nd instant. I came back from Boffin through a very heavy sea. I did not reach Clifden until after 6 r.st., two hours late for post. Henry Wm. Wilberforce, brother to the Bishop of Winchester, is the nominal

owner of Boffin and Shark islands.

Mr. Allies, Porman-street, Portman-square, London, lent £10,000 to Mr. Wilberforce, on mortgage of Boffin and Shark, In year '67 Sir Win. Palmer took those islands at £350 a year, and then Mr. Monsell, Postmaster-General, 1-at Mr. Wilberforce £3.000 more on Boffin and Shark. Messex Ward, Londen, act for Mr. Monsell.

The £10,000 Mr. Allies lent is in trust of Rev. Edward Coloridge and Rev. Thomas Harding Newman, the latter is brother to Mr. Allies' wife. Messrs. Lake, 10, New-square, Lincoln's Inn. act for Rev. Messes, Coloridge and New-

Lake, it, New-Journ, Lahoun's lin, act for iter, Nesses, Colerage and New-lan, and have a power of attempt from all those baving a lieu on Bullin and Shark to grant lenes, &c. Mr. James C. Macdonnell of Westport, sub-sheriff of Maye, is agent for collecting results, &c. The property is about to be sold. I ames a notice of survey; similar ones were served on the inhabitant of Bolfin and Shark.

In Boffin island one man, Mr. McCormack, postmaster and shopkeeper, has about two tons of hay, another man about half a ton, and three or four others have little bundles of litter which they call hay-say 4 cwt. each. The folder have firstly bundles of litter which they call hay—may 4 out, each. The folder therefore is at a very low oils, and, in consequence, very many shoop have oils of "stavenies." Ident that one man heal 15. The bindners in winter after up. the contract of th lost the beast they would be ruined. This is a heavy expense to poor people, but a man rich enough to have a heast can manage to tide over this time of distress. I visited a great many bonses in Boffin and Shark, and I certainly found

great distress and dire poverty. In one house I found them esting their dinner. which consisted of hoiled serweed with "limpets" in it. Limpets are shell fish which stick to rocks.

In some houses on Shark I found there was only a quart of meal, and that too here were the last neighbour who had got a bag; only three men in Shark have any potatoes for seed. No potatoes were caten since hefore Christmas. There is no seed outs there except with one man. Boffin is hetter off with regard Incre is no sect on the second with order in an increase of white regard to seed, but there is not anything like enough, and many of the people, were many of them, have nothing to put in the ground. When they finished the little weatness they commenced to eat the oats, which they cround in their means or bandmills

The credit of many of the islanders has gone down, for shopkeepers are obliged to refuse more credit to those who already owe them money, as they themselves to retain more control of those was meaning one team money, as may fetueserves are often hard pressed to pay the miller. Generally they get meal thus :—a man pays for one bag and gets two, promising to pay for the second when he can, and a ballsman giving verbal security. There is very little money in the islands this year. Air. M Cormack, the shonkeeper of Boffin, has given close on £300 worth of meal and £100 worth of other provisions on credit since Christmas, but has had to refuse over sixty families bars of meal, as they were already in his deht.

In former years the kelo purchasers advanced about £300 in spring to islanders. This year they have not advanced anything, and the want of the advance is severely felt. If destitution means having absolutely nothing, I cannot say I saw that, but I saw a state of affairs closely hordering on it. I met with one woman in Shark who owned nothing but one hen. Most of them, however poor, have from four to seven hens, and many of them have little pigs worth from 7s. to 10s. They share their own meal with the little pizz, but sometimes they have only one meal a day. Fuel at the hest of times is had and searce; they have only "scraw" turf, that is the boggy sod. This year fuel is painfully scarce.

Dysentery has made its appearance on the islands, and I fear it is owing to want of proper nourishment.

There is no employment in Boffin.

Spillet fishing for ead and ling has commenced, but it is on the "hauling" the islanders depend, which will not commence until about June; many of the men have no spillet, and would be rendered happy by the possession of one. It costs about 12s.

The roads are not going to decay, they are gone. I could not describe them-As far as I can ascertain the county cess paid to Mayo by the islands is shout £50 or £60 a year, but the county Mayo expended but £50 on Boffin during the last thirteen years. I cannot learn they ever spent anything on Shark.

I would respectfully suggest that the County Spreeger at once goes to Boffin and arranges about putting the roads in order. He should leave a check clerk to have the work done, giving fair wages for fair work, and not letting a contractor have saything to do with it. Roads are wanted in Shark too, but what is most wanted there is a landing place. Now the Shark men must at great risk land on a rook, hault heir boat over it, and earry her up the face of a sharp slant. I could scareely believe that men could carry boats up such a place. The rock could be smoothed, the slope made gradual, and a crane crected over it to haul up the boats or whatever they want. So had is the slope up which the hoats are dragged, that a hoy of eighteen or nineteen years broke his leg going up it two weeks since. He was carrying a load, and his foot turned or slipped.

It would be well to supply the islanders with seed oats and potatoes, and spillets to any who require them. Such articles to he paid for when hetter (Signed)

times arrive. This and more liberal out-door relief is all I can suggest.

The Inspector-General, R. L.C.

Submitted, (Signed) J. STEWART WOOD, I. G. 4th March, 1873.

A. E. HORNE, 2 S. I.

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# NOTICE OF SURVEY.

(Referred to in the Constabulary Report.)

#### \_\_\_ In the Landerl Estates Court, Ireland.

In the matter of the Estate of Pursuant to the order made in this mat-Henry William Wilherforce,
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Rev. Edward Coloridge and Rev.
Thomas Harding Newman,
Pelitioners.

Held to day of December,
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1874 the Age of March, 1873, attend or the
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that is to say, the island of Boffin, otherwise Instable offin, and parts of said island known as West Quarter, Fawamore, Middle Quarter, Kaock, and Chou-amore; the Island of Shark, known as Innihark, Innibabskinneymore, and Inniba kemyhey, Innishgort, Innishlyon, Davillamn, and Ox Island, the Stags of Beflin, Glassillannabau, Mylanboy, Carrickhelia, otherwise Carrickhowlin, Glassillanadoon, Doongrania, Glassillanabelasty, Blackrock, Glassillanes, and Port Island, Glassillan and Doonnahineens, Blackrock, Lekyrocks, Colleen Boughil alias Boughill, Glassillan, Blackrock, and twenty-seven islands without name adjacent to and forming part of the estate of the said Henry William Wilber-force, all heing formerly situate in the Borcony of Murrisk and county of Mayo, and now situate in the Parish of Boffin, Barony of Ballynahinch, and county Galway, ordered to be sold in this matter, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of proceeding to survey the same, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take notice, and notice is hereby given to the owners of adjoining premises, and to the tenants and occupiers thereof, as well as of the premises to be surveyed, in order that they may attend and point out the correct boundaries of said premises to the said Superintendent of the Ordnance Survey Department, to the end that such boundaries may be duly inquired into and correctly defined by him in such survey, and the map to be made hy him.

Dated this 11th day of February, 1873.

ERGAR WILLIAM L'ESTRANGE. Solicitor having carriage of proceedings, 202, Great Brunswick-street, Dublin.

To all whom it may concern.

# (b.) LETTER to the County Surveyor.

Dublin Castle. 5th March, 1873.

SIR. I am directed by the Lord Lientenant to inform you that His Excellency has received a representation of extreme distress existing amongs the inhabitants of Iniahboffin and Iniahshark, which, with the smaller islands of the group, have been recently transferred by order of His Excellency in Council, from the county of Mayo to the county of Galway. Among other facts, it is stated that the good roads that were once on the islands are going into utter decay, not a shilling having been spent on them for years, although the people are paying taxes annually for their repair.

His Excellency having caused inquiry to be made by the Royal Irish Coastabulary on this embject, a report has been received, from whitch the fol-lowing is an extruct:—"The roads are not going to decay, they are gone. I could not describe them. As far as I can ascertain the county cass paid to Mayo by the islands is about £50 or £60 a year, but the county Mayo expended halyon by the Handman account 200 Or 200 a year, but the country nanyo expensions but £50 on Bolin during the last thirteen years. I cannot learn they ever spent anything on Shark. I would respectfully suggest that the County Surveyor of cone goes to Bolfin and arranges about putting the roads in order. It should leave a check clerk to have the work done, giving fair mages for fair water than the country survey of the country survey of the survey work, and not letting a contractor have anything to do with it. Roads are

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I am to request that you will bring a mis communication under the consideration of the Grand Jury at the approaching assizes, in order that such steps may be taken as they may judge proper.

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I am, &c.,
(Signed) T. H. Burke.

The Secretary of the Grand Jury of the county Galway.

No. 13.—Letter from Dr. Hart, Medical Officer of Inishboffin Dispensably District, Inishboffin, Clifden District,

Gentlemen, March 2, 1873.

I beg to inform you, there have been eight cases of dysentery in this district within the last eight weeks, and there is reason to apprehend it may become epidemic.

I have the honour to be, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant, PATRICK JOSEPH HART, Medical Officer.

To the Local Government Board for Ireland.

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No. 14.—LETTER from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD to the CLERK of the Union.

Local Government Board, Dublin, 7th March, 1873.

The Local Government Board for Ireland have directed to be forwarded to you the accompanying copy of a letter which they have this day received from Dr. Hart, Medical Officer of the Inishbolits portion of the Cliffen Disposary District, promping the supersames of dynastery quees that an immediate mosting of the Guardians of the Cliffen Union my be held, in order to furnish the Releiving Officer with the means of affording provisional relief in articles of absolute necessity, inasmodal it cannot be expected that persons affiring from dynestery or other abduces among, probably, by tamificiency of food, should come to treat the contract of the Cliffen Company of the Cliffen Union.

He Local Georgenant Result have recycled from the Chief Secretary's

Office a Report made by Sub-Inspector Horne after personal visitations of the island, and describing the distress as very great. Immediate action, to prevent loss of life as far as practicable, appears to be necessary on the part of the Board of Guardians.

> By order of the Board, B. Banks.

To the Clerk, Clifden Union, Co. Galway,

### No. 15,--Letter from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD to Dr BRODER Local Government Board, Dublin

7th March, 1873.

SIR. I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to trans-

uit to you the accompanying papers, which they have this day received from the Chief Secretary's Office, relating to the destitution existing in the islands of Inishboffin and Inishark; and I am to request that you will have the goodness to attend any meeting of the Guardians of the Clifden Union which may be held in pursuance of the letter addressed to the Clerk this day, and that you will urge upon them the necessity of immediate action.

By order of the Board. B. Banes.

To Dr. Brodie, Inspector, Galway.

No. 16 .- LETTER from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD to the

UNDER SECRETARY of the LORD LIEUTENANT Local Government Board, Dublin,

Sig. 7th March, 1873 I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th instant, and of its

enclosures, relating to the destitution existing in the islands of Inishboffin and Inishark, in the Clifden Union, and the Board have desired me to forward to you, for the information of His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, the accompanying copy of a letter which they have this day received from Dr. Hart, Medical Officer of the Inishboffin portion of the Clifden Dispensary District, relating to the appearance of dysentery on the island, together with copies of letters which they have addressed to the Clerk of the Union and Dr. Brodie, Inspector, respectively, on the By a Report from Dr. Brodie, of the 24th ultimo, the Board learn

that the recent fine weather has in a great degree removed the turf difficulty, and that the agent of the Glasgow Iodine Company is believed to have determined on resuming the practice of making advances to the population on the sea-coast for kelp as in former years.

By order of the Board,

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To T. H. Burke, esq., &c., Dublin Castle

No. 17.-Report from Dr. Brodie to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT

BOARD. (FENTLEMEN, Galway, 13th March, 1873.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 7th instant, transmitting papers from the Chief Secretary's Office, relating to the destitution existing in the islands of Inishboffin and Inishark, in the Clifden Union.

I stones telegraphed to the Clerk of the Union to convene a special meeting of the Board of Guardians on Tuesday the 11th instant, so that there should be time to communicate with the Medical Officer and Relieving Officer of Inishboffin, and secure their attendance.

I proceeded to Clifden myself on the morning of Monday the 10th. The notices sent out, and other means failed to secure a meeting of the Guardians on the 11th, which was due in a large degree to the absence of Guardians at the Galvary Assizes.

Yesterday being the ordinary weekly meeting day, I determined to wait and try again to procure a meeting. By sending out messengers in various directions, a sufficient number to constitute a Board was eithered. The Chardiaus assembled passed the following resolution:

"That the Relieving Office being called before the Bourd, was directed to use the greatest caution in the discharge of his duties, and to take special care that rice, wine, white bread, &c., be provened and administrated to the sick poor, in accordance with the instructions of the Medical Officer. A supply of rice, &c., has been sent to the Island,"
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A hag of rice was (in pursuance or this resolution) sent to Inishbothi.

Wine, bread, &c. can be procured on the Island at the establishment of
a Mr. M'Cornack, to whom the Relieving Officer issues orders for
necessiry articles in cases of provisional relief.

The Guardians are well disposed to use their powers of afforting rained to the fullest extents, and in every case brought before them posterday by the Reliaving Officer either ordered relief or directed him to use his power to afford it provisionally. I gave special instructions to the Reliaving Officer in regard to his powers and duties, and directed him in cases of sickness (dynathray or diarknes), to provide suitable food,

and in no case to give Indian meal.

The Relieving Officer stated that there is no great amount of sickness prevailing in the Island. Of the sight cases of dysentery referred to as having occurred within the eight preceding weeks, two are convalescent. Only ons case of fever, also convalescent; no deaths. The Medical Officer

did not attend.

I have no reason to apprehend that the judicious and liberal manner in which the Guardians are disposed to apply the laws for the relief of the poor, will fail to afford due sustenance in every case of sickness that may arise. More than this cannot be expected from the action of the Local Government Board.

I have the honour to remain yours, T. BRODIE.

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No. 18.—Letter from the Secretary to the Grand Jury of Galway to the Under Secretary of the Lord Lieutenant. County Galway Grand Jury.

Secretary's Office, Galway,
14th March, 1873.

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I have submitted to the Grand Jury of this country your letter of the 6th instant, with reference to the distress existing amongst the inhabitants of the Idanado I Inishaboth; and Inishabit, recountry transferred from the country of Mayo to this country, and forwarding an extract from a supers which III Excellancy had received from the orange of Mayo to this country, and forwarding an extract from a supers which III Excellancy had received from the filled into desay; that much inconvenience was felt by the inhabitants from want of a proper landing place, and suggesting that the Country Surveyor should be

instructed to have the roads at once put in order.

In reply I am directed to state, for the information of His Excellency,
that these islands were not transferred to this county until some time
after the last Presentment Sessions was held for the Barony of Bally-

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nahinch, to which they are now annexed, consequently uo application could have been made in this county for a presentment for putting the reads referred to in repair, and no provision has been made for that purpose.

The Grand Jury have, however, instructed the County Surveyor to make an application at the next Presentment Sessions for that barrow for a presentment for such sum as may be necessary for the repairs and maintenance of these roads, and to report at the next assizes on their condition, and that of the lauting place referred to.

I am further to add, that the Grand Jury have not now the power, own should they think so exceptionable a course desirable, of authorizing the execution of any public works for the purpose of allowing the distinct stated to exist in these islands, and apprehend that the only mone immediately available to effect that object will be found in the relief which may be provided by the Poor Law Union in which the islands are situated.

I am, &c., Walter Seymour, Secretary.

IV.—BEPORTS FROM INSPECTORS ON THE SUBJECT OF PLACING ORPHAN AND DESERTED CHILDREN OUT TO NURSE. No. 1.—REPORT from Mr. ROBINSON

MY LORD AND GENTLEMEN.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st instant, directing me to report to you upon the operation of the system of boarding out orphau and deserted children, so far as it is

Kingstown, January 31st. 1873.

pursued in my district, under the provisions of the Irish Poor Law Acts which relate to that subject.

In refenues thereo I log to inform you that in all the vulous in my district except the —Westford and Enriscorthy being the exception—ophan and deserted children and the state of the three that the state of the three three

By this return you will show that from August, 1862, when Boards of Gantians first olders the thorse to board out orphia and descried children, there were 1,305 children into the first in the forteen unions anneal; of these 317 were from time to time in the back to the workhouse, 93 were adopted and maintained by their nurse without farther sensations from the poor rates when the time arrived for

their return to the workhouse, and 269 died at nurse.

With respect to the mortality among these children I forward to you

a further return above many stanong users centered a forward to your a further return above ing the ages of the children who ided if from the return you will be used to be above the children who were under a more than haif the deaths occurred among children who were under of ages, and the unabber of deaths in this class must be established, in a great measure, to the wretched cadition in which many of the oscerted children are found, the higher their health satisfain by the low of maternal care being aggrerated by the exposure they are subjected to before they are taken in darge by the Christon Officers.

The persons selected as nurses are the wives of small farmers and

labourers, and in some cases of tradesmen and fishermen, but the great majority of the children are placed in the families of lahourers or persons

holding a small portion of land.

The rate of payment varies considerably in different localities, and frequently the nurses who have charge of infants receive more than the other purses in the same Union, and the Guardians of some Unions though not of all, provide clothing in addition to the money payment. The cost of maintaining children at nuise is lowest in Gorev Union. where only £4 a year without clothing is given for each child, and highest in Navan Union, where £7 16s a year with clothing is allowed; in the North Dublin Union £7 a year is paid for unweaped infants. and £6 a year for other children, and in the South Dublin Union £7 a year is allowed for infants till they are one year old, and £5 a year for children over that age, and in both these Unions the children are kept fully provided with clothing.

The children who are of an age to do so attend school, and the Guardians pay the school fees; I find that more than sixty per cent. of those now at nurse are on school rolls, and the Relieving Officers are

usually required to ascertain that they attend regularly.

The duty imposed on Relieving Officers of visiting the children every month is strictly enforced, and the reports are in general satisfactory as to the health and appearance of the children, the state of their clothing, and the condition of the nurses' houses; when a report is not favourable the Guardians take measures to have the child properly attended to, or if necessary removed from the nurse's care. At the half-yearly inspections of the Unions in my district I examine the Relieving Officers' reports to ascertain whether they are regularly submitted to the Guardians, and whether they are satisfactory or otherwise. In some Unions the Guardians require the children to he brought

before them periodically for inspection; in both the Dublin Unions, and in Baltinglass and Rathdown Unions, they are brought in for that purpose once a year, in Navan Union twice a year, and in Gorey, Shillelagh, and Trim Unions four times a year. Having been present at some of these periodical inspections I think that much good arises from them; the Guardians are enabled to indge, from their own observation, of the securacy of the Relieving Officers' reports regarding the health of the children, and the nurses, finding that the Guardians take an interest in the matter, and that they are commended or found fault with according to the appearance of the children in their charge, are encouraged to take such care of them as to be able to present them before the Board in a healthy-looking and creditable state.

In answer to your inquiry whether I would recommend any different mode of supervision of the children boarded out from that which is now exercised by the Boards of Guardians through their Relieving Officers, I beg to inform you that I am not disposed to advise any change in the present mode of supervision by the Relieving Officers, but that I consider it would be desirable to make the periodical inspection of the children by Boards of Guardians compulsory in all Unions, and to require the Guardians to bring the children before them for that purpose once at least in every year, as, from my experience of that arrangement where it is voluntarily adopted, I believe that the extension of the system

would be attended with heneficial results.

I have the honour to he, my Lord and Gentlemen, Your obedient servant, HENRY ROBINSON.

The Local Government Board.

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### ENCLOSURE 2 in Mr. ROBINSON'S REPORT.

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#### No. 2.-REPORT from Dr. BRODIE.

#### GENTLEMEN. Galway, 3rd February, 1873.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 21st ultimo, requesting that I would make inquiry and report upon the operation of the system of hoarding out orphans and deserted children so far as it is pursued in my district, under the provisions of the Irish

Poor Relief Acts which relate to that subject. The aunexed return shows that I cannot give much practical information on the subject, owing to the very limited extent to which the Acts referred to in your letter have been put into operation in the district under my charge.

So far as I can judge from what I have seen and otherwise learned, the results have been fairly satisfactory. The three children still at nurse in the Gort Union are in good hands and well cared. I inspected

them on Saturday last, and found them well housed, comfortably clothed, and presenting a clean and healthy appearance. In the Strokestown Union all the boarders, fourteen in number, have

been deserted children. None have died, and none have been returned to the Workhouse, with the exception of two, whose parent returned from America and was unable to maintain them. In every case the nurse to whom a child was entrusted was its immediate relative, who could not or would not maintain it except for the allowance made by the Guardiane

The children have been occasionally paraded in the Board-room, and have always appeared well fed and clothed-attributable, in all probahility, not so much to the system of supervision as to the ties of kindred. Were there a different class of nurses employed the existing supervision might not be adequate, if for no other reason than that the smallness of the salaries generally said to Relieving Officers practically contemplates a smaller amount of their time being given to their duties than would

suffice for this purpose.

This state of things leads me to remark that proper care in the selection of the persons to whom the children are entrusted is of the first importance, for it appears that when the persons undertaking the duty of nurture are in (comparative) good circumstances, or that there exists some degree of kinship, the children are kindly treated. This is a matter entirely within the cognizance and discretion of the Boards of Guardiane As regards supervision, I do not see any other system that could be

applied that would not, to be more efficient, involve an expense that might be considered disproportionate to the results.

It may be practicable to combine the inspection of the Dispensary Medical Officers with that of the Relieving Officers.

It appears to me that a great want in the present system is its not affording any sufficient assurance that the children are kept at school; and, on the general question, as a matter of opinion, I should say that it is not desirable that a child reared out of the Workhouse to the age of ten years should then be returned to it, and that there should be some provision for apprenticing orphans or supporting them in industrial schools up to the age of fifteen years.

I have the honour to remain, gentlemen. Your obedient servent. T. BRODIE.

The Local Government Board, Dublin.

ENCLOSURE in Dr. BRODIE'S REPORT. RETCHN showing the Number of Orphans and Deserted Children who have been sent out at Nurse by the Beards of Guardians, in Dr. BRonnu's District.

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# No. 3.-REPORT from Dr. KING

#### 1. Belgrave-place, Cork. MY LORD AND GENTLEMEN. 5th February, 1873.

In compliance with your letter of instructions of the 21st ultime, I

have the honour to submit for your consideration the following report upon the operation of the system of boarding out orphans and deserted

children so far as it is pursued in my district,

Of the Unions under my charge only seven have availed themselves to an extent worth noticing of the provisions of the Acts of 1862-9, enabling orphan and described children to be placed at nurse. The total number of children placed at nurse in the seven Unions is 506, of which 357 were sent out by the Cork Board, thus leaving only 149 to

be distributed amongst the six other Unions On the 7th August, 1862, the 25 and 26 Vic., c. 83, became law, the 9th section enabled Boards of Guardiaus to provide for the relief of any

ornhan or deserted child out of the Workhouse if they shall think fit so to do, by placing such child out at nurse according to their discretion. provided that no child shall continue to be so relieved after the age of five years, but the Guardians with the consent of the Poor Law Commissioners might continue such relief from year to year until the child attain the age of eight years, should they consider such extension of out-door relief necessary for the preservation of the child's health.

I may here observe that this consent was only sought in a very few

The 32 and 33 Vic., c. 25, repealed the above quoted section, and the 2nd section of this Act extended the time that orphan and deserted children could be relieved out of the Workhouse to the age of ten years. This Act came into effect on the 12th July, 1869.

The number of children placed at nurse from the beginning up to the present time, that is under the provisions of both Acts of Parliament, Cork Union sent out, Kilmallock 38 Lismore 31 Dungaryau 27 Mallow 21 Macroom 21 Youghal Of the 506 children sent out to board there were sent out under the 25 and 26 Vic., c. 83, 910 Of those there are still boarded out, 0.4 . Returned to Workhouses, AR Adopted, 19 Died, 210 Sent out under 32 and 33 Vic., c. 25, 300 Of those there are still boarded out, 163 Returned to Workhouses. 73 Adopted, 56 i 296 SUMMARY. Children at present boarded out, 257 Returned to Workhouses since 1862, 159

Total number of children boarded out in the above seven Unions, 506

Adopted by persons having charge of them,

The 6th nestins of the 55 and 26 Vice, a. 55, commences as follows:—And whereas, it has been found that the mortality among infinat children admitted into the Workhouses without their mothers is very large, and that in other respects the Workhouses are not very laused in all cases for the care and instruce of each children during infancy, it is therefore expellent, "On. It is clear that the object of the first executions was to provide against the excessive ance that providing from the absence was to provide against the excessive ance that providing from the absence was accordingly grown by this Act to Guardinus to send out such children was accordingly grown by this Act to Guardinus to send out such children

to nurse and to permit them to be continued at nurse for five years, and to cuttend the time, if such be necessary for the preservation of the child's health, to eight years.

The object of the Legislature in passing the above Act has not been attained in the case of the Curk Workhouse in particular, for I find that of the 357 children sent out only seventeen were sent on when mader twalve months of age, and some of those were given to dry nurses, at it has been found nearly immostible to obtain the services of a wet unare

for the sum offered by the Guardians.

I may further add that 156 children were boarded out when over five years of age.

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Some of the children sent out from Cork Workhouse were seven, eight, and even nine years of age.

I have to observe that during the first few years of life orphan and indestret delibrant in a Workhouse are very differently circumstanced from those who are under the care of their methers, as they are deprived of the watchful care which instant affection supplies; but afferently size the children are of millideas ago to be separated from their mothers which the results of the forermanned of Workhouses require should be proposed to the contract of the contract of the proposed of the contract of the contr

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As I interpret the Act of 12th July, 1859, the object of the Legislature was to permit children at nurse to be continued as nurse until the age of ten years, but not that children should be boarded out for the first time when upwards of five years of ages—however the extension of first time when upwards of five years of ages—however the extension of the desired of the permitted of the permitted of the children as the permitted of the permitted of children as the permitted of the permitted of the permitted of the permitted of the children as the permitted of t probability be injurious to their health; and furthermore, long before the expiration of ten years the child would be able to assist in many little densestic offices useful to the household, the child would probably have contracted home feelings and associations, and between the foster permit adaption of the child, and its consequent assimilation with the general population.

In several instances it has been ascertained that women have described their children in the expectation of having them sent out as boarders to friendly parties with whom the mothers would afterwards maintain communication. Such has occurred in the Cork and Lismore Unions.

Tuking all these matters into consideration I would advise that orphan and deserted children under six months old should when hourded out be given in charge (when such can be obtained) to wet nurses, and that no child be given out as a boarder when over three years of age.

The sum paid by Boards of Guardians for the maintenance of orphan and obserted children may be stated to be ou an average £5 a year and clothes, or £6 to £7 10s. when clothes are not provided; a small sum is also contributed for fees, usually one panuy a week, when the child attend school.

Five pounds is insufficient remuneration for the services of a west name, as means the difficulty of obtaining them at this price. I think a west murse should receive at least £10 a year until the child be eighteen months old, at which time the cost of maintenance could be reduced to the general standard.

With respect to the instances in which children have been adopted by the persons having the care and nurture of them. During the first period nineteen out of 210 were adopted, and as those children were only five years of age it is reasonable to infer that the adoption resulted from affection.

During the second period fifty-six were adopted out of 296, but those children were upwards of ten years of age, and the labour market is so restricted that in all probability those children were adopted as their services were sufficient to remnnerate their guardians for the cost of their support.

In Cork and most of the other six Unions included in this report the Relieving Officors vaist the, shiftlere such most and report to the Guardinas in writing as to their health and general appearance. This is in some instances a very archanou duty when there are a number of children scattered through a large district in charge of one Relieving Officer, for example, in the Cork Union one of the Relieving Officers Officer, and the state of the Cork of the Cork of the Cork of this estatis as amount of supervision almost impracticable when his other duties are staten into consideration.

With respect to any different mode of supervision for that now excised, I would recommend that all children at numbe be brought to the workhouse for the impaction of the Guardians, on a Board day, once every these months; this is done at the Cock Workhouse, and the children on the contract of the Cock workhouse, and the children or the contract of the Workhouse, and on several occasions. I have payed been present.

In addition to the supervision of the Relieving Officers, I would recommend that the Master of the Workhouse should at least twice each year without previous notice either to the Relieving Officer or nurse pay an unexpected visit to each child hoarded out, and that he should report to the Guardinas in writing in a hook to be revoided for the purpose on

the state of health and appearance of each child, the condition of its clothing and hedding, and of the house in which it resides, and as for as he could excertain as to the quality and quantity of food given : these observations refer altogether to official supervision, but if the Guardians or members of their families, or the clergymen of the parish in which the children are resident could be induced to pay occasional visits, much benefit would result.

In the case of the Cork Union where so many children are bearded out (144 at present.) a question arises as to whether the services of an Inspector would not be required, who could devote his outire time to their supervision.

I have the honour to remain.

Vous obedient servent CHARLES CROKER KING.

Local Government Inspector.

To the Local Government Board.

No 4 - FURTHER REPORT from Dr. KING.

MY LORD AND GENTLEMEN. 22nd February, 1873.

In my report of the 5th instant, on the operation of the system of boarding out orphan and deserted children, I raised the question whether it might not be prudent in the case of the Cork Union to commit the supervision of all the children at nurse to an Inspector who would devote his entire time to the matter, but on consideration I am inclined to modify my report in this respect. As the number of children at nurse is so large, and as they are distributed at considerable distances from each other, the amount of travelling would be so great and the expense so heavy that I am inclined to recommend that each Relieving Officer, as at present, should have the supervision of the children at nurse in his own district; that no child should be placed at purse in a city or town. but that all should be given in charge to nurses resident in a rural or suburban district; that they should be distributed as equally as possible amongst the relief districts, so that each Relieving Officer should have the supervision of the same number of children, and that they, the Relieving Officers, should make a return to the Board of Guardians every two months of the state of health and general condition of each child, on a form such as I annex.

Your obedient servant,

CHARLES CROKER KING. Local Government Inspector.

To the Local Government Board.

#### ENGLOSURE in Dr. KING'S REPORT.

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# No. 5 .- REPORT from Mr. O'BRIEN.

Malahide, 14th February, 1873.

My LORD AND GENTLEMEN. Pursuant to the instructions conveyed to me in your letter of the

21st ultimo, I have now the honour to submit to you my report upon the operation in my district of the system of boarding out orphans and deserted children, under the provisions of the Irish Poor Relief Acts relating to that subject Number relieved.—My district at present comprises nineteen Poor

Law Unions, in six of which, viz., Armagh, Cookstown, Downpatrick, Kilkeel, Magherafelt, and Newtownards no relief is at present adminis-

tered under the provisions referred to.

In the remaining thirteen Unions viz., Antrim, Ardee, Balrothery, Benbridge, Ballymena, Belfast, Drogheda, Dundalk, Dungannon, Larne, Lisburn, Lurgan, and Newry these provisions have been availed of to a greater or less extent. The total number of children placed out at nurse in these between the date of the first enactment on the subject-7th August, 1862—and the present time being 556.

Of this number 149 were so relieved prior to the passing of the amended Act-12th July, 1869-and the remainder, 407, since that

period.

Of the former, 75, or as nearly as possible one-half the entire number, still continue at nurse. Twelve have been adopted by the persons with whom they were placed, 35 have died, 16 returned from one cause or another to the workhouse, and the remaining 11 were either taken by friends, reclaimed by parents, or otherwise absorbed.

Of the 407 placed out since the 19th July, 1869, 227, or more than

one-half, still remain at nurse. Thirty-one have been adopted by the persons with whom they had been placed, 23 have died, 68 have returned to the workhouse, and the remainder (58) have been variously absorbed either at home or by emigration, &c.

2. Rate of payment allowed.—The rate of payment allowed by Boards of Guardians to the persons taking charge of these children varies a good deal, not only in different unions but, as sometimes happens, in different cases in the same union, the amount ranging from £4 to £8 per annum, with, in most instances, a supplemental grant of clothing, and an allowance to cover school fees when the children are of sufficient age to avail of this, but in some unions no allowance of any kind is made beyond the annual money payment as given above.

3. Arrangements as to Supervision.-In every Union where relief is administered in this form, the Relieving Officers are required to visit monthly, and in the great majority of the cases they now report the result, in writing, on each such occasion to the Board of Guardians. In a few instances the system of merely verhally stating the result sull continues, but I have, during the past nine nonths, diversed my attaction specially to the introduction everywhere of a uniform tabular from creport, a copy of which, as printed for the ares of the Belfast Union, is annexed herete, and which will, I expect, shortly he in general use throughout my district.

In the majority of the Unions in my district where children are taken out to beard, there is no supervision executed over their condition and progress beyond what I have here described; but there are exceptions to this rade, as in some Unions the dilibran us existivity required by the Board of Guardinas to be brought before them for personal impecion citize quarterly, half-yearly, or annually, and in special cases, also individual Guardinas render valuable service by undertaking to lock, from time to time, after those located in their respective neighborn

hoods.

4. Increase of Separation.—The question as to whether I would recommend any different mode of supervision from that exercised any control of the separation of the sep

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5. General results of the System.—The system of boarding out orphass and deserted children instead of retaining them in the workhouse, has all deserted children instead of retaining them in the workhouse, has I think, been pencically to short a time in operation to admin of any general conclusion being formed as to the relative merits of the rivalences. So far as I have bad the means of judging of it the new

system appears to me to he very much a mixed one of good and evil. When the persons intrusted with the charge of the children have been selected with care and judgment, and a street practical supervision has been subsequently maintained over them, I have no doubt much good has in numerous instances been effected.

But when these conditions have been disregarded—as it is to be feared they too often have been—I am satisfied that the children would have been in every way better and more happily placed in a well-ordered Work-

6. Unwillingness to take very young infants.—In one material point I think the new system has certainly failed to realise the sanguine anticipations that were included in with reference to its effects. I refer to case of children deserted or orphaned at the period of seriliest.

infancy.

This was the class with which it was always found, in practice, most difficult to cope successfully in the Workhouse—the care of infants at this early stage requiring affection and tenderness, which it was found impossible to enforce in regard to the pauper murses intrusted with their classes.

Could are inthe surners be found cut-tide willing to undertake the care of this pericular class, no doubt it would be found generally desirable to avail, in their regard, of the provisions of the memded law; but, unfortunately, it has been found by experience that this is the precise form of the provisions of the memded law; but, unfortunately, it has been found by experience that this is the precise for the contract of the co

I have the honour to be, my Lord and Gentlemen,

Your most obedient servant,

W. P. O'BRIEN.

The Local Government Board, Dublin.

### ENCLOSURE in Mr. O'BRIEN'S REPORT.

Bilipast Union.—Report of Relieving Officer, for Month of , 187, on Children at Nurse.

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# No. 6.-REPORT from Dr. BURKE,

Belmont, Mullingar,

MY LORD AND GENTLEHEN, 18th February, 1873. I have the honour to report that, in accordance with instructions contained in your letter of the 21st ultimo, No. 694/73, I have made due inquiry into the system of boarding out orphans and deserted children (in the various Unions comprising my district) under the provisions of the Irish Poor Relief Acts, and feel pleasure in being able to state for your information that, so far as I can learn and personally observe, such is carried out with fair advantage and benefit to its recipients generally. As regards the present mode of supervision of the children boarded out by the Boards of Guardians, through their Relieving Officers, I would recommend that in addition to the monthly report from the Relieving Officer, concerning which I invariably inquire on the occasion of each of my half-yearly inspections, a further guarantee might be exacted with benefit to those children placed out at nurse by their being brought before the Board of Guardians for inspection at least once in each quarter, a regulation which has been entered into and most humanely practised monthly by the Board of Guardians of the Tullamore Union, as may be observed under the column headed " Remarks" in the accompanying Statistical Return which I enclose for your consideration, and beg leave to express (in my opinion) that it would be more desirable for the Guardians to supply the necessary clothing for the children than granting a certain sum of money for that purpose, as well as likewise entering into the necessary arrangements, with a proper teacher for

I remain your most obedient servant,

T. H. BURKE, Inspector.

The Local Government Board, Dublin.

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# No. 7.—REPORT from Mr. BOURKE.

# Gentlemen, Lisnagry, Limerick, 26th February, 1873.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st January, requesting me to report upon the operation of the system of boarding out orphan and deserted children, so far as it is pursued in this district, and of your further letter, enclosing Forms on which the receipted independent which he samplied

tais asseries, and or your nurner letter; encousing forms on which the required information might be supplied.

In case of your wishing to see these Forms, I transmit herewith copies from the several Unions where children are put out to nurse, and beg leave to submit my report upon the system generally, as far as its

operation in this district extends.

The following Table gives a summary of the proceedings in each Union under my charge:—

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It thus appears that in seven Unions only, out of fifteen, have the Guardians select upon their powers in regard to hearding out orphan and deserted children, whilst in two of them only two children have been sent out, and in a third (Emistymon) the practice has been discontinued, owing to the difficulty of finding suitable numes.

In the four Unions of Limerick, Rothkeals, Glün, and Ronis, the system may be considered to be in operation, and is working very satisfactorily. Fifty-four children in all have been sent out, six of whom have died and only three been recalled to the Workshousz-two from great delicacy of health, and one owing to injury to the musch loose are sufficiently on the control of the con

In these Union many of the Grazelines take a personal interest in the children, and Good stater such of them as are in the neighbourhood. I am assared by the Estleving Officers that the caretakens uniformly treat their charges with kindness, and soon come to request them with differious as great as if they belonged to their own family, and, though wise instance of preposed softwine has come to high, it is well only use instance of preposed softwine has come to high, it is well represent homes on reaching the will the children he allowed to quit their heimstances over of the Werkhous consens to be legal to per for their maintenance out of the Werkhous in

The practice might with advantage be considerably extended, but Boards of Guardians are in general not quite alive to its importance, and indeed it is not always easy to find persons to whom the allowance would be an object, and whose modes and habits of life are at the same time such as would ensure the child being comfortably maintained and well brought up. The supervision of the Relieving Officers appears to me quite sufficient

to quard against abuse, and I can suggest up fitter agency for the proto guite against the child. Upon them, also, rests the responsibility of selecting the families to take charge of the child, and, as far as my experience leads me, they have hitherto discharged the duty satisfactorily. In some of the remote Unions of Clare the Relieving Officers have been mable to recommend any persons for this charge, and in cases of constitutional delicacy the Medical Officers of the Workhouse are often averse to sending out children where they will not be within much of daily professional attendance.

One important result of the extension of the age to which children can be kept at nurse is that at ten years they become useful to their guardians and capable of occasionally earning something and this consideration confirms the caretakers in their desire to retain the child, to whom they have become attached.

I have the honour to he, gentlemen, Your obelient serment

R. BOURKE.

The Local Government Board.

## No. 8.—Report from Mr. R. Hamilton.

MY LORD AND GENTLEMEN.

Strabane, February 27, 1873. In reference to your letter of the 21st January, 1873, requesting me to make inquiry, and report upon the operation of the system of

boarding out orphans and described children, under the provisions of the Poor Rehef Acts, I have the honour to inform you that I have carefully examined into the arrangements adopted in the Unions of my district. The annexed table, marked A, shows you the entire number of children

placed at nurse from the commencement in August, 1862, to January, 1873, in each of the Unions under my charge. It also shows the number who have been removed, and the cause of such removal, and the number who remained at nurse on the 21st January, 1873.

It likewise shows the rate per annum paid for each child, and the ar-

rangement, if any, for giving clothing.

You will observe the total number placed at name was 175, of whom 33 died, 31 were taken by relatives or friends before reaching limited age, 12 were brought back to workhouse from sickness or other causes, 12 were removed from over age, 2 (Londonderry) from causes unknown

to Relieving Officer, and 85 remained on 21st January, 1873. The second table, marked B, divides these particulars respecting the

children placed at nurse into two parts—the first portion is applicable to the period during which the age was limited to five years, or with consent of Poor Law Commissioners to eight years—the second portion to the period during which Guardians were authorized to continue children at nurse to the age of ten years.

During the first period 113 children were placed at nurse, of whom 20 died, 10 were taken by friends, 7 were brought back to workhouse, 6 removed from over age, and 70 remained at nurse on 12th July, 1869.

The number placed at nurse from July 12, 1869, to January 21st, 1873, appears to have been 62, which number, with the 70 left at nurse on the former day, makes a total of 132 to be accounted for in the second period.

Of these I find 13 died, 21 were taken by relatives, 5 were brought

back to workhouse, 6 were removed from having attained the age of ten vears. 2 unaccounted for, and S5 remained at marse on 21st January, 1873 I shall briefly give the results of my inquiries as to the overation of the system in each of the unions, taking them in the order in which they are placed on the Return A.

No. 1. Strabane Union.—You will observe in Strabano Union 27

children have been placed at narse since August, 1862, of whom-A died

4 were taken by friends.

3 were removed from over acc-

2 were brought back to Workhouse.

14 remained at nurse on 21st of January Inst.

The amount paid for each child is £4 a year, and school fees for those who are able to learn

Two suits of clothes are given at first, but none afterwards.

Much care seems to have been taken in the selection of proper persons for nurses. The practise is to consult the Gnardian of the district to which the child belongs, and he, generally, is able to recommend a suita-

ble family I visited most of the children at nurse in this Union. I found them treated as members of the family in which they were placed, and appro-

rently well cared for, but in some instances very scantily clothed. The Relieving Officer visits the children frequently, and reports on

their condition, and once in three months the Guardians require the children to be produced before them, and, for those able to learn, they reonire a certificate of attendance at school. The system seems to have worked satisfactorily, and I think this may

be attributed in a great measure to the selection of proper people as nurses, and to the supervision exercised over them by the Guardians. No. 2. Londonderry Union. I regret I am nuable to make so favour-

able a report on the operation of the system in the Londonderry Union. Twenty-six children were sent out to nurse, of whom 8 died, and 2 cannot be accounted for, but I am under the impression they also died; 2 were taken by friends before reaching the limited age, 1 has returned to Workhonse, and 13 remained at nurse in January last.

£5 per annum is paid for each child, but no allowance is given for either clothing or education.

Most of the children appear to have been placed with the poorest class One of the nurses, a woman named Burnside, has had six of them,

three of whom died while with her, one was taken from her, and she has two still. She told me she had no means of support except what she obtained from charity and for narsing the children. Three other women with whom children are placed seem to be in

pretty similar cirenmstances. The children are never brought before the Board of Guardians for

inspection, and the examination by the Relieving Officer has been of a

very imperfect and unsatisfactory character. Once or twice I have drawn the attention of the Board of Guardians

to this matter, and I find from the minute hook that on the 24th April, 1869, and again on the 4th February, 1871, the Guardians "directed the Relieving Officer to visit personally each of the children at nurse and to report once a quarter." On the 15th February, 1871 (letter No. 335), the Poor Law Commissioners pointed out the necessity of having a regular inspection of the children, as required by the order of 10th October, 1862, but I can only find a record of two reports from the Relieving Officer, one dated October, -1871, the other, Angust, 1872,

and they are of a general character, giving no specific information respecting each child.

respecting each child.

About two-thirds of the children sent out to nurse in Derry Union have died, and, from the circumstances stated, this high rate of mortality

is not to be wondered at.

No. 3. Lismankes Union.—In Lismankes 19 children were placed out at murse, 2 of whom died, 6 were taken by near relatives before reaching the limited age, 2 were removed for over age, and 9 remained at nurso

on 21st January last.

£5 a year is paid for each child, and one suit of clothing is given, and
school for are allowed.

so has I can learn the children have been placed with proper people,

and the Relieving Officers appear to have reported pretty regularly, but the Guardians do not require the children to be brought before them. The children old enough to learn are required to attend school. No. 4. Cteoher Union.—In Ctopher Union 16 children were placed at

nurse, 2 of whom died, 3 were brought back to Workhouse (2 in consequence of death of the nurse, and 1 for medical treatment), 2 were removed from over age, and 9 remained at nurse in January last.

The children seem to be placed with proper people. £4 a year is allowed for each child, and one suit of clothes

The Relieving Officer seems to have inspected them pretty regularly, and I am informed the Guardians occasionally see them, but no arrangement seems to be made for the education of the children who are old enough for school.

No. 5. Neutowallinavady Union.—Iu Newtownlimavady Union 15 children have been sent out to nurse, 4 of whom died, and 5 have been taken by the nurses, who refused to give up the children when the Guardians discontinued the relief, and 6 remained at nurse in January last.

Guardians discontinued the relief, and 6 remained at nume in January last.

At five years of age the Guardians discontinue the relief, and they
then give the nurse the option of either keeping the child or sonding it
back to the Workhouse. In every instance of this nature the child
has been kept, and therefore I am satisfied proper people have been

selected for narses.

The amount allowed for each child is £4, without any allowance for

elothing.

No. 6. Ininhowers, Union.—Thirtoen children have been placed out at nurse in the Inishowen Union, 4 of whom died, 2 were sent to an orphanage by relativos before reaching limited age, 1 has returned to Workhouse, and 3 remained at nurse in January.

£5 a year is allowed for each child, but no clothing.

The Relieving Officers are supposed to inspect each child once a mouth, but they have not been in the habit of reporting the result of

such inspections.

The Guardisms occasionally see the children—about once a year.

No. 7. Milford Union.—In Milford Union 13 children were placed

out at nurse, 2 of whom died, 3 were taken by relatives, and 8 remained at nurse in January.

£5 a year is allowed for each child, and 10s for clothing.

The nurses selected for the children seem to have been very proper

The Relieving Officer visits each child once a quarter, and informs the Guardians of the result, but he has not been in the habit of reporting in writing.

Since this inquiry the Guardians have made new arrangements for the inspection of the children, and I have every reason to expect they will be carefully looked after.

No. 8. Irvinestown Union.—In Irvinestown Union 11 children have been sent out to nurse, of whom 2 were brought back to Workhouse sick, 2 were removed from over age, and 7 remained at nurse. £4 10s. is allowed for each child, but no clothing.

The children are placed with small farmers, the Relieving Officer

inspects and reports regularly, but the children are never brought before the Guardians. The nurses are required to keep all children able to learn at school.

No. 9. Omagh Union.—In Omagh 7 children were placed out at nurse, 2 of whom died, 1 was taken by relatives, 1 brought back to Workhouse, and 3 remained at nurse in January. £4 a year is allowed for each child, but no allowance for clothing.

The children are never brought before the Board of Guardians, and

the inspection of the Relieving Officers seem to have been irregular and unsatisfactory. No. 10. Enniskillen Union.—In Enniskillen Union only 5 children

have been placed out at nurse, 2 of whom died, 2 were brought back to Workhouse, and 1 was taken by a relation. £4 a year was allowed for each child, without any allowance for

clothing.

The Guardians are opposed to the system, and they have no children at present out at nurse. No. 11. Glenties Union.—In Glenties Union 5 children have been

sent out to nurse, 2 of whom died, 1 was taken by the nurse, and 3 remained at nurse in January, 1873.

£4 a year is allowed for each child, and one suit of clothes at first, but none after.

The children are never brought before the Guardians for examination, but the Relieving Officers seem to have inspected them regularly. No. 12. Donegal Union.—In Donegal Union 5 children were placed out at nurse, 3 of whom were taken by relatives, and 2 remained at nurse.

£5 a year is allowed for each child, and one suit of clothes.

The children are examined twice a year by the Guardians, and the Relieving Officer seems to have reported regularly on their condition. No. 13. Stranorlar Union.—In Stranorlar Union 5 children were placed out, 1 of whom died, 2 were claimed by their mother, and 2

remeined at nurse. The children are brought before the Guardians twice a year, and the

Relieving Officer seems to inspect and report regularly. His books

show ten inspections last year.

No. 14. Castlederg Union.—In Castlederg Union only 2 children bave been put out, 1 of whom was returned to Workhouse sick, and the other is still at nurse.

£4 a year is allowed, but no clothing.

The children are not brought before the Guardians for examination, but the Relieving Officer seems to have reported regularly. No. 15. Gortin Union.—In Gortin Union 3 children have been put out, and they still remain at nurse.

£4 is allowed for each child, but no clothing. The children are brought to the Workhouse twice a year, and examined

by the Medical Officer. The Relieving Officer seems to have inspected them regularly, but be

has not made written reports on their condition. No. 16. Ballymoney Union.—In Ballymoney Union 2 children have been sent out, and they are still at nurse.

£5 4s. is allowed for each child, but no clothing.

The above children are infants.

They have not been brought before the Guardians for examination. and the Relieving Officer has not made any report on their condition, so that practically there has been no supervision in this Union No. 17. Letterkenny Union.—In Letterkenny only one child has been

put out, and it is still at nurse. £6 was allowed, but the amount has been reduced to £5. No clothing

is given. Once a quarter the child is examined by the Guardians, and the Relieving Officer inspects it regularly. Nos. 18, 19, 20, 21. Dunfanaghy, Ballyshannon, Coleraine, and Bally-

castle Unions.—In the Unions of Dunfanaghy, Ballyshannon, Coleraine, and Ballycastle, no children have been placed out at nurse.

Observations.-It will be seen from the foregoing statement that there

are only a few Unions in my district in which the system has been carried out to any extent.

I may mention that of the thirty-one children stated in column three of the Return A, as having been taken by relations or friends before reaching the limited age, more than two-thirds were taken by immediate

relatives, and the remainder by nurses who refused to give up the children when the relief was discontinued. The limit of age has not had much effect on the operation of the system in this part of the country, only 12 children having been

removed from that cause since the commencement (6 during the first period, and 6 during the second period in Return B), 10 of these children have been adopted by their nurses, and 2 were returned to the Workhouse. Suggestions.—Though I am not prepared to recommend any different

mode of supervision from that which is now exercised by Boards of Guardians, I am of opinion some changes might be made in the arrangements which would insure a more regular and careful examination of the children.

The reports furnished by the Relieving Officers in obedience to No. 4 of their duties in the order of 10th October, 1862, have been, as a rule, most irregular and unsatisfactory. I would therefore suggest, that instead of a report once a mouth, a separate report on the condition of each child should be made once every six months, and in the event of death, sickness, or improper treatment, a special report of the circumstances to be made. The inspections, however, to be continued as heretofore, once a month,

A printed form should be prepared for the report setting forth-

Name and age of Child,\_\_\_\_ Name and residence of Nurse... Dates of Inspections, Condition of Child as to-Health,\_\_\_\_ Cleanliness,\_\_\_\_ Treatment,\_\_\_\_ Clothing, \_\_\_\_ Arrangement for attending school (if any)

The reports when read to the Guardians should be recorded on minutes, and the Clerk of the Union should be required to preserve them in a book to be provided for the purpose.

A reference to this book, or portfolio of reports, will at once show whether the Relieving Officers discharge the duty of inspection satisfactorily or not.

I find frequent reports a mistake, Guardians soon tire of them and then the officers become careless

It is very desimble each child should be brought before the Guardiana

once or twice a year; an inspection of this nature is most useful. A list of the children at nurse in the Dispensary District might be sent to the Medical Officer of it, and he should be requested to visit each

of them once a year, and report whether he considers it well nourished and properly cared for I think that a suit of clothes in the year should be given to each child.

and a sufficient change for infants. The selection of proper people for the charge of children sent out to

nurse is an important consideration in the matter, but this must be left to the Guardians.

I have the honour to be, my Lord and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant. R. HAMILTON.

The Local Government Board, Dublin.

ENCLOSURE I in Mr. R. HAHILTON'S REPORT-RETURN A. RETURN of ORPHAN and DESERTED CHILDREN placed out at NURSE.

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Nos. 8, 9.7

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## No. 9.—Report from Dr. Roughan.

Gentlemen, Sligo, February 28th, 1873.

#### I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the

21st of January, No. 694, disceting not to make inquiry and ropert to you upon the operation of the system of boarding out orphans and deserted children, so far as it is juussed in my district, under the provisions of the Irika Poor Relief Act which relate to that subject, and also requesting me to state whether I would recommend a different mode of supervision of the children boarded out from that which is now exceeded by the Boards of Guardians through their Relieving Officers, under the General Regulations of the 10th of Otobers, 1862; relating to

the relief of orphan and deserted children out of the workhoises. The number of children boarded out in my district of unions is very usall, only 38 having been relieved in that manner from August, 1865, pp. 19 to he present date. Twenty-children the test contributed by Sligo of the way to the present date. Twenty-children the contributed by Sligo of the contributed by Sligo of the test of the contributed by Sligo of the contributed by Sligo of the contributed by Sligo of the Children of Kulland, North-Sligon of Children of the Childre

nort. Tohercurry. Swineford, and Westport. Sixteen were placed at purpose at ages varying from 1 day to 12 months, 11 from 12 months to 3 years. and 11 from 3 years to 7 years. Nineteen children were boarded out before July, 1869, and the same number since that date. Of the children placed out before July, 1869, 8 still remain at nurse, 5 have returned to the workhouse, I has been adopted by its sunt, I ceased to be relieved. it being discovered that it was not legally relievable as an ornhan or deserted child and 3 died. As regards the children given out since July, 1869, 14 still remain at nurse, 2 have returned to the workhouse. I has been adopted by its nurse, I has died, and 2 have ceased to be relieved, not coming within the provisions of the Act. In very many instances, particularly in the Sligo district, the children were boarded with unsuitable persons residing in lanes and alleys, whose principal means of support depended on the small weekly allowance paid for the maintenance of the child. The result was that they were found in a filthy condition, ragged in dress, and scanty in hedding. In a few instances, as reported by me before, no bedding, except a few old rags, was in use for the children. The children in the country districts were somewhat better cared. The greater portion of them are boarded with their aunts and grandmothers, but, as a rule, they did not present a satisfactory appearance. In one house in the Cooloony district 4 children are boarded-3 of them are grandchildren to the woman of the house, and l is a stranger. It is a damp hovel, with filthy surroundings. It consists of one apartment, containing two beds, each occupied by four persons. A cow, a calf, and a pig occupy or share a portion of it. Yet the children presented a healthy appearance. A few of the elder children go to school occasionally, but are by no means as well instructed as children of their ages in a workhouse. The usual rate of remuneration paid for those children varies from 3s. a week in Sligo to 1s. 3d. in Killalla, or on an average in the five unions, 2s. 1d. Clothing and bedding has been supplied in Boyle, Bawnboy, and Sligo, at a yearly cost of about 10s for each child. In most instances the Relieving Officer visits the houses once a month. In some cases, as in Sligo, weekly visits are made, but no written reports, as far as I can ascertain, as to the condition of the children have at any time been made. The Guardians never make any inspections of the dwellings, but on one or two occasions in the Sligo Union the children have been brought to the Board-room for inspection-an inspection perfectly worthless, as, of course, the children are made up for the occasion. I visited nearly all the children at nurse in my district, and, from careful observation of their physical, moral, and mental condition, I have no besitation in stating it as my opinion, one and all would be much better off if reared in their respective workhouses, where they would be taught habits of order and cleanliness, good behaviour, and decorous conduct.

I place to value whatever on the inspection of Relieving Officer. They think they acquit themselves of all responsibility by the payment of the wells of the well of the control with the control of the district, the result of which to be reported quarterly to the Board of the district, the result of which to be reported quarterly to the Board well of the control of the con

I have the honour to be, gentlemen, Your obedient servant,

GEORGE F. ROUGHAN.

#### No. 10.-REPORT from Mr. W. HAMILTON.

Gentlemen, Fiddown, March 3, 1873.

I have made inquiry as to the operation of the system of boarding out orphan and deserted children, so far as it has been hitherto pursued in my district, under the provisions of the 9th section of the Acts 25 & 20 Via., c. 83, up to the 12th July, 1869, and subsequently under the provisions of the Act 32 & 33 Via. c. 2

the provisions of the Act 32 & 33 Vic., c. 25.

Of the 16 Unious in my district there are 7, viz., Carrick-on-Suir, Cashel,
Castlecomer, Clogheen, Thurles, Tipperury, Urlingford, in which there are

not now, and never have been, any orphan or deserted children boarded out under the authority of either Acts.

In the 9 remaining Unious in my district, 26 children were placed on previous to the 12th July, 1869; of this number 14 still remain at nurs.) has returned to the Workhouse, 2 have been adopted by their nurses, 3 have edid, 1 was drowned, 2 have gone to service with farmers in the neighbornhood of their nurses, 2 have along the still remain and 1 was adopted by a nucle in England.

was adopted by an uncle in England.

And in these same Unions there have been 51 children placed out
subsequently to the 12th July, 1869; of this number 42 remain at nume,
2 have returned to the Workhouse, 1 has been adopted by the nume, 2
have died, 1 has been taken by a relative, and 3 have been sent for from

The annexed return shows the particulars as regards each Union.

The present rates per annum paid for each child are as follow:—

		£	2.	d.	
Abeyleix,		- 6	10	0	
Callan, .		5	4	0	
Donaghmore,		7	16	0	
Kilkenny,		6	10	0	
Kilmacthomas,		5	4	0	
New Ross,		6	10	υ	
Thomastown,		5	4	0	
Waterford,		- 6	0	0	

The additional grants for clothing and school fees are as follows:---

	Clothing.		School Fees.
Abbeyleix,	10s, per sanum,		Nil
Callan, .	15s. do.		NiL
Donaghmore,	When required.		Nil.
Kilkenny,	10g.		42. 4d.
Kilmaethomas,	1 suit on leaving Wor	khouse.	 Nil.
New Ross,	20s		Nil.
Thomastown,	Nil		Nil
Vaterford	Two suits yearly.		School fees po

Though the ages of the children vary from infancy up to 10 years, the allowances are the same for each, with the exception of school fees.

The present average weekly cost of maintenance and clothing in the Workhouse in my district, for one of each of the following classes is, for—

Being an average of 2s  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ , per week, or £5 9s 5d, per annum, so that although at first sight the allowances made in some instances by Boards

of Guardians may appear to be small, if not altogether inadequate, they approach more nearly than is generally believed to the actual cost in the Workhouses. I should be glad if they did so in every case, allowing something additional for the care of infants and those children who need constant attention.

The present ages of 56 of the chikiren boarded out in my district are as follows :---! Infant.

Seven of the above were sent out as infants.

The population of my district, in 1861, was 465,231; during the 10 years ended 29th September last, 1,679 infants, including some stillborn, are entered in the records of deaths in the Workhouses; 394 children 2 to 5, and 245 children 5 to 9,

This would give an annual rate of

Hence the mortality of infants has been more than four times as great as that of children from 2 to 5, and nearly seven times as great as the mortality of children between the ages of 5 and 9.

In the Donaghmore Union, with a population of 9,504 in 1861, there had not been a death amongst the children in the Workhouse, from 2 to 9 years of age, for the ten years referred to, and the annual infant mortality

in the Workhouse was 1.4. The infant mortality in the Unions with large towns vastly exceeds that in the Unions in which there are none; for instance, in 7 such Unions, with a population in 1861 of 278.866, the number of infants who died in the Workhouses was 1,272; in the remaining 9 Unions in which there are no large towns, with a population of 186,365, the number

of infants who died in the Workhouses was 407; had the mortality been at the same rate it would have been 850, or more than double. Hence I look for a reduction of infant mortality more to the poorer classes being properly housed in the country, than I do to any steps which it may be in the power of Boards of Guardians to take.

In nearly every instance I have found that the directions contained in your order of the 10th September, 1862, as to the personal inspection of the Relieving Officers has been duly attended to, but there has not been that attention as to reporting immediately after to the Board of Gnardians as to the health, cleanliness, and treatment, as there ought to have heen.

There is one Union in my district (Kilkenny) in which the Relieving Officer has reported with regularity and care; I regret to say his reports have not received the attention which they seemed to me to be entitled to, and I have more than once commented on the absence of prompt attention to his reports.

I confess that if similar reports are to be so treated as his have sometimes heen, I should feel that it would be necessary to seek for super-

vision which would entail more prompt action.

Rules for placing orphan and deserted children at nurse have been adopted in some Unions, but the experiment has not hitherto assumed sufficient dimensions in this district to make the want of such rules and

forms seriously felt as yet. I should be glad to see a uniform set of

rules and forms under your authority or sanction.

I think that the rules and forms used in the Unions of Belless, Cockand Deblits, together with the circumize letter and general order of the late Foot Jaw Board as to the hearding out of pauper children, p. 11, &c., of the 23rd Annual Report, contain every point which has occurred to use in auxionity considering the subject. Many of the recommendations contained in these documents are, I me cretain from my own expecience, necessary in order to secure the proper working of a system which. I have always been disposed to regard with favour, int which I have a supervised and the properties of the proper working of a system which I have always been disposed to regard with favour, int which I have much placed on others, and the impossibility of such personal supervision. SI thould with where such a helphese class is concerned.

I have the honour to be, gentlemen.

Your obedient servant,

W. J. HAMILTON.

#### ENCLOSURE in Mr. W. HAMILTON'S REPORT.

RETURN of the NUMBER of ORPHAN and DESERTED CHILDREN who were placed out previous to the 12th July, 1869.

Unton.			No. of Children.	Still remain at Nume.	Returned to Workheuse.	Adopted by Nume.	How the semain for are necounted for,
Abhayleix, . Callan, . Donaghmore, Kilkenny, . Kilmaethomas,	:	:	5 3 None, 7 6	3 2 None. 4 3	None, None, None, None, None,	None. None. None. 1	2 died. 1 died. Money left to 2. 2 have gone to service with farmers in the
New Ross, . Thomastown, Waterford,	:	:	1 2 2	None. S None.	None. None. 1	None. None.	locality.  1 drowned, NIL Sent to England to an uncle who adopted her
			26	14	1	2	•

## Placed out subsequent to 12th July, 1869.

Urior.	No. of Children.	Still remain at Nurse,	Returned to Workhozen	Adopted by Nume.	How the remainder are accounted free
Abbryleix, Callin, Donighmore, Kilkaerthomas, New Ross, Thomastown, Waterford, Cleames,	None. 2 1 27 6 6 7 None. 5 3	None, 1 1 23 5 4 None, 8 None,	None, None, None, 2 None, None, None, None,	None. None. None. 1 None. None. None. None.	Nil. 1 died. Nil. 1 taken by a relative. 1 died. Nil. Nil. Nil. Nil. 3 gone to America.

### No. 11.—Report from Mr. Horsley.

My Lord and Gentlemen, March 4th, 1873.

Adverting to yours of the 21st January last, I have the honour to

where the positions of the 348 of animary uses, a more the honour to report that in widstrict very little advantage has been taken by Boards of Gaardians of the powers conferred upon them under the provisions of section 9 (now repeated) of 25 & 25 Vic. cap. 23, or under those of 33 & 33 Vic. cap. 25, relative to the heaviling out of orphans and deserted children.

In seven mions, namely, Bantsy, Kennare, Killarnay, Listowe, Skilheren, Skill, and Theles, no caphun or deserted children have been put out to nurse under either of the above mention of the companying factors and the companying factors made to the companying factors made to make the commentation of the companying factors and the companying factors are described in the companying factors and the companying factors are described only the Garantians since the year 1802—namely, 47 prior to July, 1809, and 48 since that period up to the present time.

These children are accounted for as follows.—50 still remain set at muss, 13 have been adopted by their nurses, 10 year claimed and given up to their parents, 7 have returned to the workhouses, 1 obtained seve, and 3 have died. No particulars are given respecting the remaining them assessment to make up the total of 95, but & of them to the second of the second of

The very moderate rate of mortality among the 95 children in question

may, I bink, be taken as affecting visualing ten by Gaussen in queries may, I bink, be taken as affecting regulations relative to the supervision of crypta and the formation relative to the supervision of crypta and the Boards of Ganchian to secure for them proper error and treatment in all masters relating to their physical condition, and I am not, therefore, prepared to recomment regulation in question, further than to aggret that the case provincing regulation in question, further than to aggret that tense provincing or an experiment of all healthy barded out children who may have arrived at the age of all healthy barded out children who may have arrived at the age of any year.

It is greatly to be regretted that Boards of Guardians do not, whenever it may be musticable, put out to muss all orphan and deserted infant children, as I belief in diversally admitted that good navings care, pure air, and freedom is madernally admitted that good navings on any overkhouse, however will often generated of that class recognition and post-complete of the class growing a probability of their growing up to be mean and towards securing a probability of their growing up to be mean and towards securing a probability of their growing up to be mean and towards securing a probability of their growing up to be mean and towards securing a probability of their growing up to be mean and the security of the

wonset, and useful citizens.

To instance the foregoing observations, I may mention that, in the
Trales Union, where the Guardians have hitherto always declined to
put out orphan and deserted infant children to nurse, the result has
been that 46 out of 47 children of these classes admitted to the work-

house between 1862 and the 31st December, 1872, have died.

I have the honour to be, my lord and gentlemen, Your very obedient servant.

To the Local Government Board, Custom House, Dublin,

S. Horsley.

V.—CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE BOARD OF GUARDIANS OF SLIGO UNION ON THE SUBJECT OF THE NEGLECTED STATE OF CHILDREN PLACED OUT TO NURSE IN THAT UNION BY THE BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

#### No. 1 .- REPORT from Dr. ROUGHAN.

## GENTLEMEN. Slice. January

Sligo, January 25th, 1873.

With a view of making inquity and reporting to you as directed by your letter of the S1st instant, on the operation of the system of bearding out orphans and deserted diblards included the 28rd, 24th and 28th instant, the houses in which thirtee documwere bearded, in the town of Sligo and its immediate vicinity, second paniel by Mr. Feeny, the Relieving Officer of the district.

The condition of most of the children, as regards lodging clothing, belding, and warmth, was not satisfactory. The circumstances of some were so bed that I deem it my duty to bring them before you, so that the Guardians may be addressed on the subject at their next meeting, on the 28th instant, and as unportunity afforded them of alleviatine

without delay their wretched condition.

The first case to which I beg to direct your stiention is the house of a woman named Harte, in Lover Ropewill-street, in which are loaned three children, named Partick Henry, aged eight and a half years; John Kelly, two end a half years; and Mary Green, aged six months, at the rate of \$a, per week each in winter, and \$a\$ in summer. She has also bearing with her a child born some time since in the Lannier Arythm here, for whose maintenance she is paid \$5a\$ a month by a charinable person.

The outside room or kitchen occupied by this woman and the children is damp and comfortless, nearly destitute of furniture, and quite desti-

tute of bedding.

The baby, aged ix months, by in a wooden cradle, without a bed of any kind, not oven a particle of straw, between the board and the smacked body. An empty feeding bottle hy near the little one, from which in vain it endeavoured to draw mastenance; it was in a state of square and emanated to the last degree—so much so that I believe, unless it is promptly supplied with proper natriment, a few days will terminate its existence.

The woman of the house, this baby, and the other three children, sleep on a bedstead, on an empty tick, their only covering being their day clothes and one blanket, some time since supplied by the Guardians.

Another case is that of a child named Anne Mannon, aged three deep reactives the control of the child was in a very uncleasily state, and was badly clothed. The woman steed that the had no change of clothes. After some difficulty I was the child with the child shape of the child shaped was much blocked to see that it was to be the think child shaped was much blocked to see that it was to the base boards, without any covering except a few filther man.

The remaining case is that of an imbedie named Catherine M'Donough, boarded with her aunt, Bridges Mullens, Lower Ropewalk. The child is partially paralyzed, and lay in bed in a most neglecied state. An oftensive odour was emitted from the bed, which consisted of twigs, rotten leaves, and some rotten straw.

I cannot help thinking how much better the condition of those children would be in the workhouse, where they would be properly disied and cared, than in their present abodies. The Reliving Odlor wisis those honess weekly, hut somehow he overhooked their stick, otherwise it is to be presumed he would have reported to the content on their health, clemilines, and treatment, as it was his duty tool, as pointed out in General Order, dated 10th October, 1873, par. 4; page 739, Compending.

I have the honour to be, gentlemen, Your ohedient servant.

George F. Roughan.

No. 2.—LETTER to the BOARD of GUARDIANS.

Sta, Local Government Board, Dublin, 27th January, 1873.

The Local Government Board having had occasion to call for a general report from all their Inspectors on the subject of hearding out orphan and descried children, under the provisions of the 32 and 33 Vic., cap. 25, have received a report from their Inspector, Dr. Rougelm.

in which he states that, with a view to nathing the required regors, he visited on the 2542, 45th, and 25th instant, the and with which thriven children were bearded, in the town of Silgo as the sin which white, accompanied by Mr. Feary, the Relieving Officer of the district. The condition of most of the children, as regards bedging, clothing, bedding, and warmth, he states, was not satisfactory, and the circumstant of the condition of the circumstant of the circum

ocuting, and warmth, he states, was not satisfactory, and the circumstances of some were so had that he deemed it his duty to bring them specially under the notice of the Local Government Board.

An extract from Dr. Roughan's report, giving the particulars of the cases specially referred to is enclosed and also says the December 1.

cases specially referred to, is enclosed, and the Board request the inmediate attention of the Board of Ghardians to the subject, and especially to the cases of the unfortunate ohildren whose shocking condition is The Board ules reconstituted that the Board of Ghardians of the subject and especially described in the extract

The Board she request that the Raileving Officer may be alled upon for an insection explanation of his apprent neglect of the day los valving upon him in reference to such children, under the General Open of the Foot Law (Commissioners of the 10th Oethor, 1862, which was the superior of the Raileving Officer, among other things, to visit each child officer of the Raileving Officer, among other things, to visit each child officer of the Raileving Officer, among other things, to visit each child officer of the Raileving Officer, among other things, to visit each other strategies of the visiting it, and to oil death of the nine visit each officer of the Raileving Officer, among other things, to visit each other particular and the results of the child officer of the Raileving Officer, among other things of the results of the child officer of the Raileving Officer, among other things to visit each other particular and the results of the resul

By order of the Board,

To the Clerk, Sligo Union.

No. 3.-Report from Dr. Roughan.

GENTLEMEN, Sligo, January 28, 1873.

I take leave to inform you that the infant Mary Green, referred to in my report of the 26th instant, died this day. I presume there will be a coroner's inquest, if there is, I shall advise you of particulars.

I have the honour to he, gentlemen, Your obedient servant,

GEORGE F. ROUGHAN

#### No. 4.—Extract from Guardian's Minutes of 28th January, 1873.

Read letter dated 27th January, 1873, No. 2,251, from Local Government Board relative to report from Dr. Roughan, on the condition of

ment board described or report from Dr. monginan, on the concision of criphan and described children out at nurse in the Sligo district. The Local Government Board's letter of the 27th instant has taken this Board greatly by surprise, insamuch as they had the fullest confidence

in their Relieving Officer, whose conduct hitherto has been occupilary, and whose careful supervision of the out-door infants they arere questioned. The Board feel chankful to their Local Inspector for the care and digence displayed in investigating the orphan cases referred to in the Local Board's communication and trust he may never have constituted to the contract against the way the out-door infants have been treated by their report again the way the out-door infants have been treated by their

That Pat Henry, John, Kelly, and Mavy Green, residing with Anne Hart, Catherine M'Douogh residing with Mrs. Mulleu, and Anne Manion residing with Mrs. Kerr, be taken at once into the house, and if refused the Relieving Officer to taken advice from our solicitor how he is to act; and a copy of letter from Local Government Board to be forwarded to

the Reliefving Officer for an explanation as to his appearent negloct. That having read the communication from the Local Government Board and extract from Dr. Roughan's report, by which its appears that several of the children who can maintained out of this houses are neglected, and are in an emissioned state; that the Refleving Officer shall have at Pursues in Silts of the Communication of the Communication of the Pursue in Silts of their the Communication of the Co

#### No. 5.-LETTER to Dr. ROUGHAN.

Local Government Board, Dublin, Sm, 3rd February, 1873.

Referring to your report of the 25th altimo, and to your observations on the reference heat strateduct to the insuintee of proceedings of the Sound of Gauschians of the Slige Union on the 25th ultimo, in regard to estain explan and descrite children placed out to murse by the Gauschians of that tunks, the Local Government Board desire to state, in reference to your attendance at the Churchian's meeting theoremy, that they are of opinion zone inquiry should be made regarding the mode pursued by the Board of Gauschians in selecting murses for the children part out to

It is manifest that in several cases visited by you, most improper selections had been made, and the sums devoted to a beneficent purpose very grossly abused.

Any undue influence which may have caused such improper selections ought to be exposed, whether used through paid officers or individual guardians, that the like may be avoided in future.

The Board request that you will be so good as to furnish them with a report on this subject after your visit to the Board of Guardians.

#### By order of the Board,

by order of the Board,
B. Banks.

To Dr. Roughan, Inspector, Sligo.

GENTLEMEN.

## No. 6 .- REPORT from Dr. ROUGHAN

GENTLEMEN. Sligo, 30th January, 1873.

I have the honour to inform you that I was present and examined at the inquest held on yesterday on the body of the infant Mary Green,

and enclose herewith copy of verdict returned by the jury.

Dr. Little, the principal witness examined, stated that he made a postmortem examination and found the child extremely emaciated, and the ankles swollen: that the internal organs of abdomen and chest were healthy, the stomach and small intestines quite empty, and much distended with flatus; that the large intestines contained some pultacrous matter, and that in his orinion the child died from inanition, the result of defective assimilation.

> I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant. GEORGE F. ROUGHAN.

ENCLOSURE in forecoing REPORT. COPY of VERDICY on body of Mary Green, held 29th Jaguary, 1873.

R. H. Wood, Coroner.

We find from the evidence of Doctor Little and others, that Mary Gross died

on the 28th inst., at Upper Rope-walk from natural causes, to wit, insultion: and we hope that the system of rearing orphans out of doors will not be renewed, and we beg to call the attention of the authorities to the sanitary state of the locality where the said child died, which we find in a filthy state. Sligo, 29th January, 1873.

For self and fellows. HUGH CONNELLAN, FOREMAN,

No. 7.-REPORT from Dr. ROUGHAN.

Sligo, February 5th, 1873. In reply to your letter of the 3rd instant, 2,601, I have the honour to inform you that I attended the meeting of the Sligo Board of Guardians on yesterday, and made inquiry regarding the mode pursued by the Board in selecting nurses for children placed at nurse.

The Guardians informed me that almost invariably they were guided in their selections by the Relieving Officer. The Relieving Officer states that in all cases he recommended the present nurses as suitable persons, and that in some instances they were known to members of the Board who confirmed his recommendations. There are thirteen children at nurse in Relieving Officer Feeny's district, and, with four exceptions, the localities in which they have been placed are most objectionable; three of the children referred to in my special report were taken into the workhouse on yesterday, the other being an idiot and partially paralysed,

was permitted to remain with her aunt, she promising to take better The Guardians increased the allowance for maintenance from 3s. to 4s., and directed the Relieving Officers to visit each house in which a child has been placed at nurse, and to provide where required suitable hedding.

I have the honour to he, gentlemen, your obedient servant, GEORGE F. ROUGHAN.

No. 8.—Extract from Guardians' Minutes of 4th February,

RESOLUTIONS, &c. That the children placed at nurse outside (with the exception of those with Anne Hart and Mrs. Kerr) he left with Mrs. M Keon, Mrs. Carty, and Mrs. Mullen, their respective nurses, who have complied with the

order of the Board, and that the Relieving Officer be disorded to make a minute inspection of the nurses and their bounce from time to time, and intimate to the nurses that his visits shall be when printing they least expect them, and not on any fixed day, and that the nurses be directed to attend with the children before the Board on the first Tuesday of each month, and from time to time as often as reminder.

An amendment was also put, that all the children out at nurse in the Sligo district be taken into the Workhouse, and on a poll being taken, four voted for the resolution, and three for the amendment, when the resolution was declared carried.

That a bedstead and bedding be supplied to Ellen Calway, orphan out at nurse.

Bead letter dated February 3rd, 1873, from Union Solicitor with reference to children placed out at nurse—stating that if they can be taken from the parties they are nursed with, without committing a brack of the peace, it can be done, but if not, they must apply to the

The following Letter was read from Relieving Officer Frency :-

Court of Queen's Bench for power to take them by force.

In compliance with your order directing me to give an explanation relative to the state of the orphan children, as described in the report of Dr. Roughan, Local Government Inspector, I heg to state that I very much regret that those poor children should be so much neglected by their nurse, in whom I had the atmost conditione up to the day on which I accompanied Dr. Roughan on his atmost conditione up to the day on which I accompanied Dr. Roughan on his

I immedially wishted these children once a rows. This vitis was generally mode on Weinsteady, on which day I paid each of the numes her usual allowance, and when considera I had ample opportunity of seeing the children, and of which is the consideral of the consideral paid of the children of the which I always considered satisfactory. I think I can right in starting that on a stead occasion these children were before the Board, and the Guardians seemed the and satisfact that they were well cared for, and all their wasts properly and the consideration of the consideratio

I must confast that I was greatly surprised to find those children so much saglected when I visited them in company with Dr. Roughan, contrasted with the manner in which I usually found them at my socustomed visit. The only inference I can draw from those facts is, that the savest knowing the time of my risk endeavoured to make their place and the children present the best possible opperance.

oppearance.

I now beg to draw the attention of the Board to the bedding referred to in
the Impector's report, and wish to state with reference thereto that I supplied bedding to the murses of the children referred to in the Impector's
report on the 28th September, 1872, and which if preserved would be sufficient
for the wants and computers of the children.

I will first that the case of the three children residing with Anna Hart. On he 10th of February, 1872, Francis Davy and John Eslly, two of the children residing with ber, got each a blanker, rug, and sheet, together with wearing spared, and on the 28th September grave the same Anna Hart a blanker, rug, and sheet, with wearing appared, for the role use of Mary Green. The second is that of Anna Marion, boarded with Mar. Kerr, who also got

The second is that of Anne Manion, boarded with Mrs. Kerr, who also got bedding in November, 1870, and werning appared about six months ago. The third is that of Catherine M'Donogò, at unuse with her aunt, Biddy Mullen, whose hed consists of twigs and rotten leaves.

The nurse accounts for this by stating that she got these articles from the chapel, heing a part of the Bethlehem Crib usually erected there at Christmas time, these she thought might have some effect upon the child by placing them under where she lay.

I trust, gentlemen, that the foregoing detail of facts will be sufficient to convince you that each and every one of these nurses got an ample stock of bedding and clothing if they had been preserved for the use of the children, and

the only inference from their form this is to use of Hart, that the disposal of them, which consume for their shanes, in extend to its in Dr. Rougher, the their property of the shanes of the first hard for the first hard for the first hard for the first hard for the shanes of the 29th intends and because of the first hard enter the charge of her if the had music right use of it, and crapended it is the support of the chall, a sufficient allowance, via. So, centred by your Board, webly, to get the chall, a sufficient allowance, via. So, centred by your Board, webly, to get the chall, a sufficient allowance, which is the control of the chall of the charge of

That a gross describion has been practised on no by these nurses is apparent, as from the healthful appearance of Francis Davy and John Kelly, the two defection in the order of Annel Hart, I could never anticipate that any neglect existed. The younger one, Mary Gross, was delicated in care you great existence in the property of the

I have been eighteen years in your service, and I trust I may with confidence

appeal to the Borrd for a terriform as to her "I was a many was omerone connection with any ordice during the long throat per me discharged my difficile there are read to the surprise of the long which then there are read to the surprise of engelet broughting which then there are read that in consideration of this long and fairling which the service the Board will excurate me from any wilful neglect, and I remain start for the farmer no pairs or trouble of mise shall be special inperforming a challen right and efficiently, so not to guard against any impetition or despitation and efficiently, so not to guard against any impetition or despitation of the surprise of the surprise

## (Signed) M. Feener,

Having considered the explanation of the Relieving Officer, we regret to find that Mr. Feeney has in some cases been deceived, and that he be admonished by the Board to be more particular in future in discharging his duties under the order of 10th October, 1862.

The Board have had many of the children before them to-day (February 4th) and they appear to be well cared for.

RESOLVEN.—That a good stave both be supplied to each of the nurse who have charge of children, and replaced from time to time as may be found a constant of the advanced price of the constant on the constant of the constant

## No. 9.—LETTER to the BOARD of GUARDIANS.

Local Government Board, Dublin, February 10, 1873.

The Local Government Board for Ludau Guarde 1, 10, 101.5.

The Local Government Board for Ludau Guarde In control of the minute of proceedings of the Board of Cinguistic Burlance on the 4th instant, forwarding an explanation furnished by in their ludae Fenercy, in compliance with the repeat of the Board orphan and described cilities, regarding the condition of certain orphan and described cilities. Rump, as described in a rosent regret received from their Impactor, Dr. Rump, as described in a rosent regret by the Board have to exact that they do not consider the Relieving Offser's explanation activitation; and having regard to the final consequence of

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neglect in one of the cases, they think the Board of Guardians should

call on him to resign his office.

The Bard have at the same time to state, in reference to the Gaustianic resolution on the subject, that they have no confidence in the increase rate of weekly ayament for nurse children, or extra supplies of bodding and debting, severing for them proper attention and kindness when placed out with pencous no improperly selected as appears to have been the case in the Siligo Union; and they would galdly hear that the cildren now out at nurse had been all returned to the Worktheess, to the case of the Mister, Mutron, Medical Officer, Nursea, and Teachers.

By order of the Board, B. Banks

To the Clerk of the Slige Union.

No. 10.—READ,—LETTER, dated February 10th, 1873, No. 3,206/73, from Local Government Board, relative to explanation furnished by Relieving Officer FEENEY, &c., and suggesting that all the Children out at Nurse be taken into the Workowse

#### Memorandum:

In reference to the letter of the Lovel Government Board, suggesting that our Relieving Offerer should be called upon to resign his office in conceptumes of one of the children placed at mure having dies for alleged angled, we respectfully refer the Lovel Government Board to the evidence at the inquest, where it appeared that the child in question was found at the contract of the

Having read Local Government Board's letter—Resolved, that we approve of the suggestion made to us in reference to the orphan children, and hereby direct our Relieving Officer to bring all those into the work-

house who are now out at nurse in the town of Sligo.

## No. 11.—Letter to the Board of Guardians.

Local Government Board, Dublin, 17th February, 1873.

The Local Government Board for Ireland, acknowledge the receipt of the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Guardinas of the Sign Union on the 11th instant, contining an entry of their latter of the 10th instant, redriving to the explanation furnished by Mr. Fenney, Richering Oliver, in regard to the condition of orphan and descreta children placed out at way by the Guardina, one of whom dide recently, and requesting the condition of the condition of cophan and descreta children placed out at which the condition of the condit

The Local Government Board have also had before them the resolu-

tion of the Guardians, in which they state that they "believe there was no wilful neglect on the part of the Relieving Officer" in these cases, and taking into account his long and faithful services they request that his resignation may not be pressed for on this occasion may not

and taking into account his long and faithful services they request this resignation may not be pressed for on this occasion.

The Local Government Board having regard to the opinion expressed by the Guardians as to the manner in which Mr. Feeney has generally

discharged his duties, and to their wishes that his services may be retained, will not require his resignation of the office of Relieving Officer.

By order of the Board,

To the Clerk, Sligo Union.

B. Banks.

# No. 12.—Extract from Guardians' Minutes of 4th March, 1873

The cases of the orphan children lately taken into the workhouse were considered, and it was resolved to allow the following out to nurra, viz., Pat. Henry, Martin Kane, Pat. Scanlon, and Anne Manson, and Peter Mooney, at an allowance of 3s. per week to each.

## No. 13.-LETTER to the BOARD of GUARDIANS.

Sir,

Local Government Board, Dublin,

The Local Government Board have had before them a resolution the Board of Guardinas of the Sligo Union of the 4th instant, directing that five of the orphan children recently taken into the world-ness be again placed out at nurse, at an allowance for each of 3s a week; and the Board desire to state that they trust that no pains will be spared

in selecting proper persons for the care and nurture of these children.

By order of the Board.

To the Clerk, Sligo Union. B. Banes.

No. 14.—Extract from Guardians' Minutes of 11th Marce,

1873.

Read,—Letter, dated March 10th, 1873, No. 6,065, from Local Government Board, relative to cases of orphan children lately placed out at

nurse, and hoping proper nurses would be selected, &c.

Report read from Relieving Officer Feeney, relative to case of Pat.

Henry, boarded with Anne Hart, stating the bedding, house, &c., to be in the same wretched condition as recently reported by Dr. Roughan, also firing much necketed from the recently reported by Dr. Roughan,

also firing much neglected—found only three or four clods of turf in the fire-place.

"The Board baving considered the report of their Relieving Officer with regard to the how at house But Transfer of their Relieving Officer.

with regard to the boy at nurse, Pat. Henry, desire that he be received into the house again."

That Pat, Finnn, orphan, be given out to nurse to his aunt, Mra. Gilgan, at &s. per week.

gan, at 3s. per week.

#### No. 15 .- LETTER to the BOARD of GUARDIANS.

Local Government Board, Dublin.

SIE. 15th March, 1873, The Local Government Board for Ireland acknowledge the receipt

of the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Guardians of the Sligo Union on the 11th instant, containing an entry of a report from Rehaving Officer Feeney, stating that one of the children referred to in the Board's letter of the 10th instant as having been recently put out to nurse has been placed with the nurse, Anne Hart, and that her bedding, house, &c., are in the same wretched condition as when reported on by Dr. Roughan some time since, and with reference thereto the Board request that they may be furnished with a specific statement of the persons with whom all the children have been again put out to

By order of the Board. B. BANKS.

The Clerk, Sligo Union.

No. 16 .- Extract from Guardians' Minutes of 18th March.

READ,-Letter, dated March 15th, 1873, No. 6,961, from Local Government Board, relative to orphan children placed out at nurse, and

requesting to be furnished with a specific statement of the persons to whom the children have been again given to-Orphans lately allowed out from work-

With whom boarded. house to nurse. Pat. Henry (ordered into workhouse), Anne Hart (no relation).

Martin Kane, John M Getrick (no relation). Pat. Scanlon. Anne Foley (his aunt). Anne Manion (ordered into work-

house), Catherine Carr (no relation). Peter Mooney, Anne Mooney (sunt-in-law). Pat. Finan, . Anne Gilgan (aunt).

READ,-Extract from Relieving Officer Feeney's report, relative to case of Anne Manion boarded with Mrs. Kerr, stating that he visited her when in bed, and considered the covering insufficient

Memorandum.-That Anne Manion referred to be taken into the Workhouse again.

"The Board of Guardians of the Sligo Union beg leave to bring under the attention of the Local Government Board the case of Pat. Henry, a boy of 9 years, at nurse with Anne Hart, who has been reported by the Relieving Officer as a person of no means and in a destitute condition. The Guardians have instructed her, through the Relieving Officer, to deliver up the boy to them, but she has refused and still keeps possession of him, notwithstanding that the Guardians have stopped her usual weekly allowance.

"The Guardians request the Local Government Board will inform them what further means are left them for the recovery of the boy, Pat.

Henry, and instruct them how to proceed."

## No. 17.--LETTER to the BOARD of GUARDIANS

Local Government Board, Dublin. 24th March, 1873.

SIE, The Local Government Board for Ireland acknowledge the receipt

of the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Guardians of the Slice Union, on the 18th instant, containing a list of the names of persons with whom the Guardians have lately placed some orphan and deserted children to nurse; and the Local Government Board regard with much surprise and concern the fact that several of the children found by Dr. Roughan undergoing ill-usage, after being brought back to the workhouse, were returned to the same parties.

The Local Government Board request the Guardians will state by what considerations they were ltd to adopt this course of action in each particular case. By order of the Board.

B. BANES. To the Clerk, Sligo Union.

No. 18.—Extract from Guardians' Minutes of 25th March,

READ,-Letter, date March 24th, 1873, from Local Government Board, relative to the cases of the orphan children lately placed out at nurse, and requesting the Guardians would state by what considerations they were led to allow them to the same parties which were reported on by Dr. Roughan.

Memorandum.-In answer to the letter from the Local Government Board with regard to the orphan children out at nurse, the Sligo Board beg to state that two children (not several) have been returned to the nurses reported as unfit by Dr. Roughan. One (Anne Manion) was returned by mistake; the other (Pat. Henry) was returned under the circumstance that the child had been in this woman's care for seven years (from his birth), and an affection had sprung up between them which the Board were loath to destroy.

Both nurses have refused to give up the children, and the Sligo Board of Guardians are surprised that no answer has been sent to them from the Local Government with regard to what steps the Board can legally take to get the children brought back.

### No. 19.-LETTER to the BOARD of GUARDIANS.

Local Government Board, Dublin,

SIR. 31st March, 1873. The Local Government Board for Ireland acknowledge the receipt of the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Guardians of the Sligo Union, on the 25th instant, containing a resolution stating the circumstances under which two of the children were sent back to the care of

the same nurses with whom they were found ill-used by Dr. Roughan, on his visit in January last, and inquiring what steps should now be taken by the Guardians to recover these children, as the parties with whom they were placed refuse to give them up. In reply the Local Government Board have to state that they have

referred to the proceedings of the Guardians from the 4th of February to the present time, and, so far as they are informed, they understand that all the children at nurse in Sligo had been, by directions of the Guardians, brought back to the workhouse. It appears strunge to the Local Government Board that the Guardians should afterwards cause any of the children to be placed out again with persous known to be objectionable, especially after they had been advised, on the 3rd of February, by their own solicitor, that a resort to the Court of Queen's Bench was necessary to obtain possession of the children, if they could not be recovered without the use of force.

The Local Government Board can give the Board of Guardians no assistance in repairing so grave a mistake of judgment, and must refer them to their legal adviser, with a recommendation to be guided by his

By order of the Board.

B. BANKS.

To the Clerk, Sligo Union.

VI---REPORT FROM THE VICE-GUARDIANS OF MILLSTREET UNION AT THE CLOSE OF THE PERIOD FOR WHICH THEY WERE APPOINTED.

My LORD AND GENTLEMEN, Millstreet, 13th March, 1873.

As our term of office as Vice-Guardians of the Millstreet Union is drawing to a close, we deem it our duty to submit to you a short report of our proceedings while we have been intrusted with the management of the Union, and of the condition in which we leave it on the reappointment of the Local Board.

Ou entering upon our duties in October, 1871, our immediate attention was given to the requirements of the destitute poor in the Union, the regular administration of relief having been interfered with by the non-attendance of the Guardians, and the state of the workhouse being in many respects unsatisfactory from the failure of the Board to exercise the necessary supervison over the officers, and to superintend the general management of the institution: we at once considered all the applications for relief and gave the necessary orders thereon, and we have periodically and cautiously revised the list of persons receiving both indoor and outdoor relief, endeavouring to administer it without extravagence, but at the same time with a due regard to the wants of the poor.

The internal management of the workhouse has had our constant attention, the food, clothing, and supplies of every description being subjected to our personal supervision, while classification, discipline, and deanliness were duly enforced.

We found the supply of provisions very unsatisfactory particularly in

the articles of bread, meat, and milk, the bread and milk being much adulterated, and the meat being of inferior quality, and supplied with an undne proportion of hone; the contractors excused themselves on the plea that they tendered at prices which were not remunerative, but we insisted on their carrying out their engagements, even at a loss to themselves, and on entering into fresh contracts we gave a fair price for each article, and the workhouse is now supplied with all requisites of a good and wholesome quality.

The external timber works, the cave shoots, and the down pipes of the entire establishment were thoroughly painted with two coats of white lead during the last spring by pauper labour, at a saving to the ratepayers of about £60; the altar in the chapel was also painted and improved, the steps carpeted and the flooring repaired. A kitchen with a suitable snage has been fitted up in the Infirmenty building from which side poor devire, much obstrately an having their masks served regularly and confectably, instead of being carried to them as formerly from larly and confectably, instead of being carried to them as formerly from the confectable, and framework of the confectable and the results of the large state of the confectable, and framework with load and the sites of the form work carried only the throughly drained and the entire of the form work carried on by the work; such as of the confectable and the confect of the form work carried only the work; such of clothing and provisions has found any support and the work; such of clothing and provisions has found any confectable and the three is an analyse supply of good clothing material and befoling in store.

The action is early and editionally conducted by competent and diligent teachers, the boys are uniformly produced from acknowledge and the land, and others in the business and talliers they clearly acknown on the land, and others in the business of the continue in a second continue in a second continue in a second continue in the continue in addition, to all their own, having a sewing machine in the relationship in the production of the charlest and instruction. The protect of the Lapsectors show that the literary observation of the children receives we attention, and that their progress is antishetory.

In regard to the financial position of the Union it is only necessary for us to observe that we shall eave it free of all dath (except the least for the water works), and we believe that the belance in the union of the shall be shall b

On the day after our arrival in Millstreet a deputation from the inhabitants waited upon us, and urged us to lose no time in taking the necessary steps for supplying the town with pure water. Millstreet is a town containing about 220 houses, and with a population of 1,500 persons : the inhabitants were obliged to obtain water for drinking and culinary purposes from a mountain stream nearly a mile off, or from an open stream flowing through the most wretched and filthy parts of the town, polluted with all sorts of impurities, and into which the entire sewage of the town and barracks is discharged; the use of such water was most haneful to public health, and the fruitful cause of epidemic and every other dangerous disease. We immediately proceeded to borrow the sum of £800 from the Public Works Loan Commissioners on the security of the rates, this being the amount of the estimate prepared by Mr. Nathaniel Jackson, c.z. and County Surveyor. The loan having heer obtained and all preliminaries arranged, contracts were entered into for the supply of pipes, and for building of the reservoir, and the works commenced in the month of May last. A reservoir of 4,166 cubic feet, capable of containing 25,000 gallons was erected at the foot of Clara mountain, and is kept constantly full by a stream flowing from numerous springs in the vicinity; the water is carried on hy means of metal pipes of 34 inch diameter, through the workhouse which is abundantly supplied, and thence a distance of one mile and a half to the town of Millstreet, where there is now a regular flow of pure spring water from five fountains. This is a boon of incalculable advantage to the inhabitants, which they duly appreciate, and for which they had long fruitlessly sought, and they admit that they would not now enjoy it but for the interposition of the Poor Law Commissioners in putting in force the salutary power they possessed of superseding the Local Board of Guardians, who were idly agitating, but not advancing the much required work.

The abundant supply of water at high pressure will also prove a great benefit to the townspeople and workhouse inmates in case of fire, as they have been up to the present time very insufficiently protected in that respect.

These works have all been completed (except a part of the roofing of the tank which is not entirely covered in owing to the inclemency of the weather—the materials are however purchased and paid for aud the work we had finished in a few days) at a cost of £1,100, which is £300 over the estimate, but the excess was caused by the increased price of iron as well as the general rise in the labour market. The liquidation of this debt will not press heavily on the ratepayers, and will not be much felt considering the advantages derived; the loan of £800 will be cleared off in twenty years by an annual rate of three halfpence in the pound on the two divisions of Coomlogune and Drishane in which the town is situated, and one-fifth of a penny in the pound on the Union at large, and the additional sum of £300 which we were unavoidably compelled to expend has been taken from the funds of the Union, and is a charge on the divisions of Coomlogane and Drishane amounting to seven pence halfpenny in the pound on the valuation, and three farthings in the pound on the Union at large

We now give up the trust reposed in us, having exercised our powers to the utmost of our ability, and we hope that our proceedings have mot with your approval, and that we have discharged our duties as Vice-Guardians in a manner conducive to the interests of the ratepayers and the noor of the Millatrent Union.

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We have the honour to remain, my Lord and Gentlemen, Your most obedient servants.

LOPTUS ROBINSON, Vice-Guardians.

To the Local Government Board for Irelaud, Dublin.

WIL—CORRESPONDENCE ON THE SUBJECT OF VOTING BY BALLOT AT BOARDS OF GUARDIANS.

No. 1.—EXTRACT from MINUTES of the BOARD of GUARDIANS of KILMALLOCK UNION, dated 23rd January, 1873.

Three applications were received for the office of Relieving and Sanitary Officer. Kilfingue District:—

Doctor Sheedy moved, that the election take place by ballot. J. Bruce, eaq., J. P., seconded the motion. Mr. James Hayes moved as an amend-ent, and Mr. Wm. Carroll seconded, that the election go on as usual. A poll being taken. 22 Guardians voted for the ballot and 6 against.

The election was accordingly held by ballot.

The result of the scrutiny was:

15 votes for David Cronin.

11 , John Morony.

1 vote for Bryan O'Donnell.

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David Cronin was accordingly elected.

## No. 2.—Letter to the Board of Guardians. Local Government Board, Dublin, 29th Japuary 1873

## Str., 29th January, 1873. The Local Government Board for Ireland, acknowledge the receipt

of the minutes of procordings of the Board of Guardians of Killendood, Cultimo on the Stall inst, from which its appears that Mr. David Consis was elected to the office of Reldering Officer and Sensitary Officer by India; Killenan Dipensary Directs, and that the election took place by India; Killenan Dipensary Directs, and that the election took place by India; in this election is, in the opinion of the Local Government Bond open to serious objection, and as a part of the Board of Guardians is annually elected by the nodayspers it is of the struct consequence that tries place you'de a any conscion in the thiology of their during contracting the contract of the c

The Local Government Board for Ireland therefore request that the Guardians will proceed to a new election of Relieving Officer in the usual manner.

By order of the Board, R. BANKS.

To the Clerk to the Guardians, Kilmellock

No. 3.—EXTRACT from GUARDIANS' MINUTES of 27th February.

1878.

The letter from the Local Government Board requiring the Guardians to proceed to a new election of Relieving Officer in the usual way in

place of by ballot having been read it was—
On the motion of Dr. Sheedy, seconded by J. Bruce, esq., J.P.
Resolved unanimously, that all divisions at this Board in future be
taken by ballot.

## No. 4.—Letter to the Board of Guardians.

Sis, Local Government Board, Dublin, 5th March, 1873.

The Local Government Bosel for Trainad acknowledges the receipt of minutes of proceedings of the Bosel of Guardians of Krallació Union of minutes of processing of the Bosel of Guardians of Krallació Union Local Government Bosel, requiring the Guardians to proceed to a new local control of the Control of t

the objectionable manner in which the rotes were taken.
With regard to the resolving passed to conduct all future divisions at
the Board in the same way, the Local Government Board will, by the
services of their authority to regulate the proceedings of Boards of Guadians, reader illegal from henceforth the taking of votes on divisions
by ballot.

By order of the Board, B. Banka

\* See General Order, page 37.

## No. 5 .- Terrer to the Under Secretary of the Lord Lieu-

Local Government Board, Dublin, 15th March, 1873.

TENANT. SIR.

The Local Government Board for Ireland have the honour to transmit, for the approval of His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, the accomnanying General Order prohibiting voting by ballot, or in any other weret manner, at meetings of Guardians of the several Poor Law Unions

throughout Ireland.\* The Board have found it necessary to issue this order, being aware that in several unions the Guardians have proposed to adopt vote by ballot. Objections and remonstrances have been addressed to such Boards from time to time, on the ground that a part of a Board of Guardians is annually elected by the ratepayers, who ought, therefore, to be enabled to ascertain in what way their representatives have voted on any question ; but the Local Government Board has been obliged, at the same time, to admit that such a mode of voting has not been prohibited by Act of Parliament or by any rule or order heretofore issued, regulating the proceedings of Boards of Guardians.

The unions above referred to are those of Limerick, Rathkeale. Ballyvaughan, Navan, Mallow, Magherafelt, Urlingford, Kenmare, Thurles, Kilmallock, and Larne. In the last-mentioned union the practice of voting by ballot has prevailed for some time, and the Kilmallock Board has recently passed a resolution, which was unanimous, that "all divisions at this Board in future be taken by ballot."

By order of the Board.

T. H. Burke, esq., &c., &c., Dublin Castle.

B. BANKS.

#### APPENDIX B.

CIRCULARS OF INSTRUCTION UNDER THE MEDICAL CHARITIES ACT, THE VACCINATION ACTS, AND THE SANITARY ACTS.

No. 1.-Annual Appointment of Dispensary Committees and WARDENS.

> Local Government Board, Dublin, 25th March, 1873.

SIR. The Local Government Board for Ireland desire to call your attention to the circular of the Poor Law Commissioners dated the 21st of March, 1862, relating to the annual appointment of Dispensary Committees and Wardens, and to the extracts from previous circulars, appended thereto; and they request that you will take the necessary steps, as pointed out in the circular referred to, to place before the Board of Guardians, after the annual election, a correct list of the members of the Board entitled to be members of the respective Dispensary Committees in the Union. This ought to be done by distinct resolution and recorded on the

minutes. \* See page 37. As soon as the Committee shall have been completed for any Dispensary District, the Guardians should fix a day for the first meeting of such committee, for the special purpose of appointing their honorary officers for the current year, in accordance with articles 6 and 7 of the Disnensary Regulations, and you should give notice thereof to each member of the Dispensory Committee, in accordance with articles 11 and 13 of the Dispensary Regulations. A form for the return of officers of the several Dispensary Committees

in the Union will be forwarded to you in due course. By order of the Board.

B. BANKS.

To the Clerk of the Board of Guardians of each Union.

#### No. 2 .- RETURN of OFFICERS of DISPENSARY COMMUTTERS Local Government Board, Dublin.

3rd April, 1873.

SIE, With reference to their circular of the 25th ultimo, relating to the annual appointment of Dispensary Committees and Wardens, the Local

Government Board for Ireland enclose berewith a form for the return of officers of the several Dispensary Committees in the Union.

In the circular above referred to the Board recommended that as soon as the committee should have been completed for any Dispensary District, the Guardiane should fix a day for the first meeting of such committee, for the special purpose of appointing their honorary officers for the current year, in accordance with the Dispensary Regulations, and that you should give notice thereof to each member of the Dispensary Committee, in accordance with those regulations; and if this recommendation has not been acted upon in the case of any Diepensary District in the Union, the Board request that you will bring the matter again under the notice of the Board of Guardians.

Articles 6 and 7 of the Dispensary Regulations of 29th November, 1869, relate to the appointment of the honorary officers, and articles 11

and 13 relate to the notice of meeting.

The Board enclose three copies of the form so as to enable you to

make the return in duplicate to this office, and to retain a copy for the use of the Board; and they request that you will procure the necessary information with the least practicable delay, and then forward your return to this office.

By order of the Board. B. BANKS.

To the Clerk of the Board of Guardians of each Union.

No. 3.—Appointment of Committees under Sanitary Acts.

Poor Law Commission Office, Dublin, SIB, 22nd April, 1872.

The Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in Ireland having reason to believe that in some instances Boards of Guardians have not, since the recent annual election of Guardians, re-appointed committees under the Sewage Utilization Act, and the Nuisances Removal Act, and as some of the members of the committees which were formerly appointed may not continue to be qualified, not being any longer Guardians of the Union, the Commissioners desire to draw the attention of the Board of Guardians to the subject, as it appears desirable that these committees should be appointed in the same manner as the Dispensary Committees after each annual election of Guardians.

The Commissioners annex, for the information of the Board of Guardians, a copy of their circular letter of the 30th March, 1867, in which they pointed out the constitution and the functions of each of the three different committees that may be appointed under the Sanitary Acts. and of the two circulars, dated respectively the 17th October and the 5th December, 1866, which are therein referred to.

By order of the Commissioners,

B. BANKS, Chief Clerk,

To the Clerk of each Union.

Poor Law Commission Office, Dublin, 30th March, 1867.

Committees under Sanitary Act. SIR.

The election of Guardians for the current year in the several Unions being completed, the Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in Ireland think it right to draw the attention of the Board of Guardians to the propriety of re-appointing committees, under the provisions of the Sani-tary Act. 1866, for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the Sewage Utilization Act and the Nuisances Removal Acta.

On this subject the Commissioners desire to refer the Board of Guardians to their circular lotter of the 17th October last, by which it will be seen that the Act contemplates three distinct committees, viz. :--

1. The Sanitary Committee, which is in fact the Dispensary Committee of

the district, and whose functions as Sanitary Committee under the Diseases Prevention Act are only called into action when an order in council under that Act is in force (29 % 30 Vic., c. 90, sec. 68). 2. The committee of the Nuisance Authority, the action of which is continuous, and which must consist exclusively of members of the body by

which it is appointed, that is, members of the Board of Guardians where the Board is the Nuisance Authority (18 & 19 Vic., c. 121, sec. 5; and 23 & 24 Vic., c. 77, sec. 5). 3. The committee of the Sewer Authority, the action of which is also con-

tinuous, and which must be appointed at a meeting specially convened for the purpose, and may consist partly of ratepayers (28 & 29 Vic., c. 90, sec. 4). The Guardians may appoint one or more committees for each of the purposes

above mentioned (Nos. 2 and 3), and the Commissioners recommend the Guardisas to take the subject into consideration with a view to appointing Nuisance and Sewer Committees for such parts of the Union as are not within the jurisdiction of another Sewer and Nuisance Authority; and the Commissioners think it might be advisable to consider the propriety of dividing the Union into dis-tricts consisting of electoral divisions for these purposes and appointing committees for each district.

The Commissioners enclose another copy of the circular of the 17th October last, above referred to, and also a copy of another circular, dated the 5th December, on the subject of appointing Sanitary Inspectors, to which the attention of the Guardians is requested.

By order of the Commissioners, B. BANKS, Chief Clerk.

To the Clerk of each Union.

## Poor Law Commission Office, Duhlin, 17th October, 1866.

#### Mode of charging Expenses under Soultary Act. Str.

The Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in Intercommissioners for aumanascering one ages for french of the root in Ireland forward herewith a General Order issued by them under the provisions of the Sanitary Act, 1866, prescribing the mode in which certain items of expenditure, incurred under the authority of that Act, are to he charged in the accounts of the Board of Guardians. Such expenditure may be incorred either directly by the Board of Guardians, or through the agency of some committee annointed either for the purposes of the Sewage Utilization Act, the Numbers Removal Acts, or the Diseases Prevention Act. It is of much importance that the functions of these several committees should

he executed by the hody to which they legally helong, and by no other; for not only might the legality of expenditure, conducted by a wrong agency, be hrought in question, but the area of chargeability, as will be seen by the terms of the Scaled Order, will depend on the question, under what provision of the

law, and through what particular agency, it has taken place.

In order to avoid confusion, as far as practicable, the Commissioners have defined the agency of the Dispensary Committee of Management to be that of "The Sanitary Committee," whose function is to assist the Guardians in carrying "The Santary Committee," whose runction is to assist the truarmans in carrying ont the purposes of the "Diseases Prevention Act," when cholera is in the Union. Any committee appointed by the Guardians, acting as Sewer Authority, Should, therefore, for distinction's sake, as well as in conformity with the language of the Act of Pariament, he called, not the "Sanitary Committee," but the "Sewer Committee" of the Union, or other district within the Union for which it may be appointed. Similarly, and for the same reasons, any committee appointed by the Guardians, acting as Nuisance Authority under the Nuisances Removal Acts, should be called the "Nuisance Committee" for the Union, or other district within the Union for which it may he appointed

None of these committees are accounting bodies, but agents merely, acting for the Board of Guardians who must account with the Electoral Divisious of the Union for expenditure conducted through such agencies, in the same way as for expenditure directly incurred by the Board itself; such expenditure heing subject to the inspection and authority of the Auditor of the Union, in

the same manner as the poor law relief expenditure. It is desirable, therefore, that as far as possible the sums expended under the

Sanitary Act should be paid by order of the Board of Guardians by cheque on their Tressurer, to the parties entitled to receive them.

If under any sudden emergency or necessity of an urgent kind, cash should be placed at the disposal of a committee, or any member or members thereof, it will at once he apparent that proper vouchers for the dishursement of all sums should be obtained and preserved, and finally deposited with the Clerk of the Union, for the purpose of heing submitted to the Auditor when auditing the accounts.

#### By order of the Commissioners,

To the Clerk of each Union.

B. BANES, Chief Clerk.

Poor Law Commission Office, Duhlin,

5th December, 1866. Sanitary Inspectors.

The Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in Ireland have observed that the Guardians of many Unions which have not yet been attacked by cholers, or in which cholers, having broken out, appears no longer likely to prevail, have shown a disposition to lessen their expenditure.

under the Sanitary Act of 1886, by discontinuing the services of Inspectors of Nuisances, or Sanitary Inspectors as they are sometimes called. The fact that the present invasion of cholera commenced almost at the same time with the introduction of the new sanitary law, may, perhaps, have given rise to a supposition that when the one is disappearing the other ceases to be

No doubt, on the disappearance of the epidemic from Ireland, and the withflawal or termination of the Order in Council, and of the Sealed Order of the

Commissioners relating to treatment and prevention of the spread of the disease, all expenses of an extraordinary nature incurred under the provisions of the latter order will also cease, inassuach as, in fact, they could not continue to be levally incurred.

be signify indurice.

But the provisions of the Sanitary Act are not divoted against cholera alone, but against every description of dangerous contagious disease, especially the more fatal kinds of fever, which, although not now epidemic, are always prevailing more or less in the country with fatal effects, and may at any time become epidemic.

These diseases are promoted in the same way as cholera, by the impurity of the sir, more especially of that within the dwelling-house, and by the use of

impure water, unwholesome food, and other like causes.

The renoral of naturaces, the maintenance of propose drainage, the supply of provided the proposal conformation of the state of the state of the control of correcording in devillar-houses, are object which the legislature has determined all heactiversels to continuously corridor out for the security of the public responsibilities for that purpose; and there is no Dinicia in Iradan fin which, hostorich, it will not be necessary for the Gurdiniant comply, stall times, on or most important of the continuously of the contribution of the Development of the control of the size of the contribution of the Development of the control of the size of the contribution of the Development of the control of the size of the control of the control of the Development of the control of the control of the control of the control of the Development of the control of the

extent of its driften, and the amount of reminencian for their performance scoring to the decrementation of the district. In zone cases it may be proper to employ a parons deverting binardly wholly to the office in other case, originted to the contract of the invested with the duties; but in the opinion of the Comminioners all territory which is within the district of the Gaustians as a Server of "Aimmon Authority," should be under come person haring authority to act as or "Aimmon Authority," should be under come person haring authority to act as very case requiring any servense of their powers either as Sever or Xuisano Authority.

In the direkurge of their sanitary daties the Guardians must be prepared to concenter some solditional annual expenditure from the Poor Rates; but wheneve spidemic disease is not present the ordinary sentiary expenses will befound to soly in light additional branches, and it must be borne in mind that the borne soldies and the soldies of the soldies of the soldies of the soldies of the more expensive arrangement which it would accome increasely to slept in the presence of pulsues disease.

By order of the Commissioners, B. Bawes, Chief Clerk.

To the Clerk of each Union.

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#### No. 4.—DISPENSARY NOTICES.

Poor Law Commission Office, Dublin. 22nd April, 1872.

The Commissioners for administering the Laws for Raids of the Poor in Ireland desire to draw your attention to the provisions of stitled s of the Dispersary Regulations, under which you are required, after the completion of the dispersary committee in each year, to prepare a notice specifying the persons and their residences to whom application may be made for ticknot for medical relief, with various other particulars which are set forth in that article and in the form of notice stream in the Order (Form NI). This notice is to be posted at each dispensary in the district to which it relates, and at such other places therein as may be necessary for the due notification of the dispensary arrangements.

the notification of the dispensery arrangements.

As it is desirable that any changes which may have been made by
the formation of the new committee, in the persons authorized to give
tickets, should be promptly made known, your immediate attention is
requested to this subject if you have not already issued the revised

notices.

It would be well to take the opportunity of ascertaining whether the notice board (Form O) remains affixed on the exterior of the dispensary, and whether it is in good condition and legible.

By order of the Commissioners,

To the Clerk of each Union.

B. Banks, Chief Clerk.

#### APPENDIX C.

## CIRCULARS AND CORRESPONDENCE UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD ACT.

#### L-CIRCULARS.

No. 1 .- LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD (IRELAND) ACT.

Sira, Poor Law Commission Office, Dublin. 17th August, 1872.

The Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in Ireland transmit to you herewith, for the information of the Board of Guardians a copy of "The Local Government Board (Ireland) Act, 1872." (35 & 36 Vic., c. 69.)

Is will be seen by reference to the 2nd and 3rd sections of the Act, and to the scholar before to in the 2nd section, that the administration of the Foor Law Acts, the Medical Chartities Acts, the Vaccination of Acts, the Burild Glounds Acts, and the Sanitary Laws, will be carried Srd section, and the Constitute Laws, will be carried Srd section, and the Constitute of the Acts and the Acts and the Constitute of the Acts and the Acts and the Constitute of the Acts and t

#### By order of the Commissioners,

To the Clerk of each Union. B. Banes, Chief Clerk.

No. 2.—Appointment of Local Government Board.

Sin, Office of Local Government Board for Ireland,
Dublin, 25th September, 1872.

Advarting to the circular letter addressed to you by direction of

the Poor Law Commissioners on the 22nd ul., stansmitting a copy of "The Local Government Board (Ireland) Act, 1572," I am now directed to acquaint you that the Local Government Board has been established in accordance with the provisions of that Act, and that the Poor Law Commission has consequently coased to exist.

The Act does not make any change in the local administration of the provisions of the Irish Poor Relief Acts, which will be carried on as heretofore by the Boards of Guardians and their officers, subject to the

control of the Local Government Board. All future communications should be addressed to the "Local Government Board for Ireland," instead of the Poor Law Commissioners.

> I have the honour to be, your obedient servant. B. BANKS.

To the Clerk of each Union.

No. 3.-LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS.

Local Government Board, Dublin, 1st October, 1872.

SIE. The Local Government Board for Ireland desire to bring under the notice of the several Town Councils, Municipal Commissioners, and Town Commissioners in Ireland the recent legislation regarding the government of towns and the administration of the sanitary laws in

Ireland. By the Act 35 and 36 Vic., c. 69, the functions of the Lord Lieutenant, the Privy Council, and the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant relating to the matters above mentioned, have devolved upon the

Local Government Board for Ireland. On the 21st August, 1871, a previous Act was passed, which is called

the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1871. That Act applies to all towns in Ireland which are under any form of

local government, whether Town Council or Commissioners, under the Act 9 Geo. IV., nuder the Act 3 and 4 Victoria, c. 108, under the Towns Improvement Act, 17 and 18 Vic., c. 103, or finally under any local Act. The main purpose of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1871, was

to give to the governing body, in any case, some power or powers which they did not possess, and which that body desired, with the assent of the ratepayers, to possess, but which heretofore could not be obtained without direct application to Parliament, at considerable expense to the ratepayers.

Under this Act, in any such case, after petition presented for the same, the Local Government Board will cause all necessary inquiry to be made, at little expense to the locality concerned, and the desired power or powers will be given, if objection is not made and sustained, by what is called a Provisional Order, which passes through the legislature usually without discussion, and without expense to the parties asking for it.

The powers which may be so obtained are the following, and two or more powers may be included in the same provisional order :-

1. Power to purchase land for certain defined purposes of public utility: 2. To incorporate adjoining district with the town;

3. To separate any part of the town from the jurisdiction of the

governing body; 4. To transfer to the governing body from the Grand Jury of the county in which the town is situate all authority with regard to roads, bridges, footpaths, and public works within the town, and all taxation for such purposes, and to make the necessary provisions in relation to such transfer;

- 5. To authorize the making of further rates in addition to the maximum at present authorized ;
- 6. To provide for the future execution of, or alteration or repeal of any local Act affecting the town, or any part thereof:

7. To extend the borrowing powers in certain cases.

There are other provisions which can only be understood by reference to the Act itself. They relate chiefly to markets and fairs, the auditing of accounts, the borrowing of money, and other matters affecting the execution of the Act. A copy of the Act is sent herewith to the governing body of each town affected by its provisions.

Communications from the governing body, or from ratepayers on the subject of the provisions of the Act, should be addressed to the Loui Government Board, Custom House, Dublin,

By order of the Board.

To the Town Clerk of-

R. BANKS.

IL-CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE CLOSING OF BLUEBELL GRAVEYARD, SOUTH DUBLIN UNION.

No. 1.—Memorial to the Lord Lieutenant, referred by His

EXCELLENCY to the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD. To HIS EXCELLENCY the RIGHT HONORABLE the EARL SPENCER, E.C.,

Lord Licutenant, acting by and with the consent of Her Majesty's Privy Council in Ireland. MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

The memorial of the undersigned inhabitants of Inchicore and the neighbourbood around Bluebell graveyard-Humbly showeth.

That the burying ground of Bluebell, hereinafter mentioned, is situate in the parish of Clondalkin, in the county of Dublin, and about one mile

distance from the village of Inchicore. That it bath long since come to the knowledge of memorialists that the graveyard at Bluebell is and bas been for some time past so overcrowded with bedies that for the protection of the public health burials

in said graveyard should be wholly discontinued and prohibited, and that the same should in future he closed. Your memorialists caused the said graveyard to be visited and inspected by two medical men, who have reported to them as follows:-

We, the undersigned hereby certify that we visited the hurial ground at Bluebell on the 9th instant, and that we found it to be in a condition most prejudicial to public health, in consequence of there not being sufficient earth to cover the hodies of the interred, and that in many instances the coffine, though

new, were broken, and exposed to public view. We further certify that during our visit we witnessed a small coffin being

by a Unifer certify that during our visit we witnessed a small coun beyone the contract of the

We further cortify that we saw human bones and pieces of coffins freely senttered over the surface of the ground, and we are of opinion that all burisls should be discontinued in said graveyard for the above reasons.

> William B. Jennings, m.d. Joseph Grahan Burne, Physician, &c.

Your memorialists therefore respectfully pray that your Excellency, sceling by and with the consent of the Prity Council, may be pleased to make as order to the effect that after such a time as to your Excellency may seem it, burnish is naid gravayered shall be discontinued wholly, or subject to any exception which your Excellency may be pleased to make.

(Signed),

WILLIAM L. HILL
JAMES W. HILL
EDWIN JAMES HUGHES.
JOSEPH FLOOD.
SAMUEL WALL
THOMAS DONAGH.
MICHAEL KENNEDY.
D. STILLIVAN, Drimmagh Mille
LAURANCE BROE.
WILLIAM GALDEBERS, J.P.
WILLIAM GALDEBERS, J.P.

O. M. WARREN.

8th November, 1872.

No 2.—Order prohibiting further Burials in Bluebell Grayetard.

#### By the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD for IRELAND.

Whereas, by an Act passed in a Session of Parliament holden in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Burial of the Dead in Ireland," it is amongst other things cuacted that, in case it shall appear to the Lord Lieuteuant in Council, upon representation duly made to him, that for the protection of the public health burials in any city or town, or within any other limits, or in any burial-grounds or places of burial, should be wholly discontinued, or should be discontinued subject to any exception or qualification, it shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council in Ireland, to order that, after a time mentioned in the order, burials in such city or town, or within such limits, or in such burial-grounds or places of burial, shall be discontinued wholly or subject to any exceptions or qualifications mentioued in such order, and so from time to time as circumstances may require: Provided always, that notice of such representation, and of the time when it shall please the Lord Lieutenant to order the same to be taken into consideration by the Privy Council, shall be published in the Dublin Gazette, and shall be affixed on the doors of the churches or chapels of, or on some other conspicuous places within, the parishes affected by such representation, one month before such representation is so considered :

And wherepress, by an Act passed in a Session of Parliament holden in the Thirty-eith Parass of Her Mijstey, initialed "An Act for constituting a Local Government Board in Ireland, and vesting the creating increase of the Mijstey and vesting the Collection of the Lord Lieutenant, the Privy Council, and the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, concerning the Public

And wheave a representation was made to the Lord Lieuteness, by certain inhabitants of Inchicons and the neighbourhood coveroll Stands graveyard, situate in the partial of Cloudalkin, in the county of Dalish that the said graveyard is and has been for some time past as overcovoidad with hodies than, for the predication of the public health, bright and the property although the video (predication of the public health, bright and the property although the video of the public health, bright contribution of the property of the property of the public sensition, has been four-walled by Head Scotleney's command, to the Local Government Beautiful for Head Scotleney's command, to the

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the matter of such representation, and of the several objections to the

same, into consideration accordingly:

Now therefore, we, the Local Government Board for Irakud, soing to exceede the powers given to us under and by virtue of "The local Created Market Conference on the Conference of the Parket Conference on the Conference of the Conference on the

Given under our Hands and Seal of Office, this Twenty-sixth day of March, 1873.

(Signed)

A. POWER, Vice-President.

J. M. DONNELL, Commissioners.

R. M. Bellew, Commissioners.

# No. 3.—Letter to the Board of Guardians (the Burial Board) of South Dublin Union.

Local Government Board, Dublin, 2nd April, 1873.

Sm, 2nd April, 1873.
The Local Government Board for Ireland forward to the Board of

Guardinas of the South Dublin Union the accompanying scaled copy of an order under the 5th section of the Burtal Cromons (Ireland) Act, 1836, directing the discontinuance of burials in the Bluebell graveyard, in the parish of Clondalkin, and in the Clondalkin electoral division of the Union, from and after the Subth day of June next.

The Local Government Board, it will be seen, have not wholly problided burden its interreported but here prohibited burden they had been provided by the property of the property of the jet to any exception valued they shall at any time use fit to make be a property by present with any objections to the total denses of the graveport by present with any objections to the total denses of decased relatives. Such wishes any only be accorded to so for as it can be decased relatives. Such wishes any only be accorded to so for as it can be accounted to the property of the dend. When, therefore, antitations, arranges many places of the dend. When, therefore, antitations, arranges are considered to the contraction of the property of poly without disturbing the remains contained in any excitating grave, the Local Government Board will be disposed to contentain the granting of a pigal Boross for that purpose, under section 10 of the Benial

The local Government Board are glad to perceive that an enclosure of the gravepard in question will immediately take place, and an order is seat betweith charging the expense, in accordance with the suggestion of the Guardians, on the electoral division of Clondalkin, in which the graverard is situated.

growpun is attaske.

The Local Government Board have likewise learned, with much satisfaction, both from their Inspector, Mr. Robinson, and from the Goardian Minutes, that a new centery will be established by the Guardians in that part of the sub-write of the city in which the Bluebull growns which are likely, on proper representation being made, to be discontinued.

By order of the Board,

B. BANKS.

The Clerk of the South Dublin Union.

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III.—CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE TREASURY ON THE SUBJECT OF THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ADDITIONAL AUDITOR, AND THE AR-RANGEMENTS MADE NICESSARY BY THE 6TH SECTION OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD ACT.

No. 1.—LETTER from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD to the LORDS COMMISSIONERS OF HER MAJESTY'S TREASURY.

Local Government Board, Dublin, 27th September, 1872.

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to transnit to you, to be hid before the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Transary, a copy of a minute of their Board, dated the 25th instant, the sanction and approval of their lordships. With the exception of what has been specially mentioned in the minter, no addition to the prescut staff of the department or increase of the expenditure is proposed under the provisions of the Act recently passed for the establishment of the Local Government Board for Ireland (35 & 30 °C) inc. 69).

With regard to the Auditors, the Board derive to state, in addition, what appears not the minute, that these officers are emitted to superamanton under the provisions of the Civil Service Superamanton to the the Board on to understand that this privilege will be allowed to extend beyond that portion of the salary which is provided by Paris, meant at the charge of the Encherger. With regard to the residue of the salary, which will ultimately full upon the local funds, make the task and the salary which will ultimately full upon the local funds, make the context of the context of the salary, which will ultimately full upon the local funds, make the context of manifolds or other local public losin in Iviani to Acts for officers of manifolds or other local public losin in Iviani would not apply to the Local Government Board Auditions, and it will consider the context of the context

properly be remedied by further legislation.

The accompanying tabular statement, relating to the Auditors' duits and remuneration, is submitted, in accordance with the direction in the Board's minute, for their lordshirs' information.

By order of the Board, B. Bayes.

To the Secretary, Tressury, London.

ENCLOSURES in foregoing LETTER,

(a.) MINUTE Of the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD for IRELAND. 35th & 36th Victoria, chapter 69. Wednesday, 25th September, 1872.

Minutes of a Board held this day.

Present—The Under-Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, the Vice-President,
Dr. M-Donnell, Medical Commissioner.

Warmats wide: Her Michigen the Quest's rign manual, basing date the Tirk day of Supinaber, instant, and respectively appeliating Albridforers, e.g., no, to be Yise Praident, John McDonnell, etga, x.n., and Richard Menteeigue Bellew, e.g., to be the two other Commissioners, of whom, togather with the Chief Secretary and the Univer Secretary to the Lord Levensum for the time being, and the Vise-President afferential, the Lord Howmans Beaut of Ireland is declared to consist, having been received, the said Band Menter and Chief Commissioners, or "The Lord Commune Band (Reich 1972)".



The Board adopts as the official seal of the Board a seal having the royal arms, and the style and title—"The Local Government Board for Ireland," an impression of which is hereos affixed.

The Board hereby appoints the Inspector,
Additors, clerks, messengers, and servants row
acting as such officers respectively, to be the laspectors, Auditors, clerks, messengers, and servauts respectively, of this Board, and they further
amount the Benjamin Boaks the present Calif

rants-repectively, of this Boker, and they are proposed for the opening that the present Conference of the conference of

REMOTER.—That the above be submitted to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majority Treasury, for their sanction, with a recommendation that the salary of the Secretary be devianced from £800 to 41,000 per annum, and that their Lordships be requested at the same time to sanction the appointment of a mixture secretary to the Vice-Treasident, at a salary of £150 per annum.

"The board further considers it to be reconsury under the 6th section of the sale Aut and the observation, highest to the nactions of the Lord Commissioner of Den Majesty's Treasure, the future number under of missioner and the Majesty's Treasure, the future number under of missioner of the section of the sale of the sale for th

he charge hotween the Exchequer and the local funds above referred to.

(Signed) A. Power.

(b.) STATEMENT relating to the DUTIES of AUDITORS in auditing the ACCOUNTS of POOR LAW UNIONS, LUNATIC ASYLUMS, and TOWN COUNCILS.

Name of Arbreon,	No. of Unions.	No. of Asy- bums.	No. of Towns.	Expen- diture of Unions.	Payment for Audit of Unions.	Expen- diture of Asylums.	Payment for AndIt of Asylums.	Expen- diture of Towns.	Payment for Audit of Towns.
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The payment for auditing Town accounts is partly estimated in the above statement, no audit under the Local Government Act having yet taken place in Dublin and a few other towns.

The Poor Law Union accounts are audited twice in each year; the Lunatic Asylum accounts and the Town accounts are audited only case.

DESCRIPTION of ACCOUNT.	Tetal Arqual Expenditure,	Number of Audits in the year.	Average Expenditure examined at coch Audit of each Institution.	Total cost of Audits.	Per-centage of cost of Audit on Expenditure.	Average oust of each Audit.
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#### No. 2.—FURTHER LETTER from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD to the LORDS of the TREASURY

Local Government Board, Dublin, 8th November, 1872.

Sir,

The Local Government Board for Ireland denie to bring under the moise of the Lord Commissions or Her Anjesty's Pressay the difficulty in which the Board is placed in reference to the audit of union second; and the small of the audit of the Commissions and Managial and the sunds of the Angel Commissions and Managial shall be an additional Andrea appointed as proposed in the Board minute of the 26th Spirptamber Jan. a copy of visida vant examinist to you with the Board's better of the 27th Spirember. In the own of roads of the Commission of the Com

The difficulty referred to is exemplified in the case of the town of Trim, the Town Clerk having recently applied to the Board to know when the Government Auditor would attend to andit the accounts of the borough which had been made up to the 30th April Inst.

The Twen Clerk's application having been referred to Mr. Simm, the Andlize of the district in which the torm of Trim is at present comprise). Mr. Simms has pointed out in reply, the inconvenience and uncertainty. Mr. Simms has pointed out in reply, the inconvenience and uncertainty perviously to the analist of flvax Gommistoners' account; it is long yes slike that, in the event of an additional Auditor being appointed as proposed, a change of districts may take place in the interval between proposed, a change of districts may take place in the interval between case to be the proper officer to andit the accounts in question. A capt of Mr. Simms' letter is eachesed.

The Local Government Board (Ireland) Act was passed on the 10th August last, and by the 6th Sec. of that Act it is provided that from that date no Auditor shall receive any renumeration for smilling the accounts of other public holdes than Poor Law Unions, beyond his yearly salary, and the special renumeration assigned to the Auditors by the August Country of the August C

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By order of the Board,

B. BANKS.

The Secretary, Treasury, London.

### ENGLOSURE in Number 2.

LATTER from Mr. SIMMS, Auditor.

Gentlemen.

Belfast, 7th November, 1872.

I have had the honour to receive your letter of the 5th instant, enclosing a copy of a communication which you have had from the Town Clerk of the Recough of Trim, in which he requests to be informed when I intend to audit the accounts of the borough.

With reference to this inquiry, I have to state that in the altered state of the law it would cost a considerable sum in travelling expenses to go specially to Trim to audit the accounts of the town, and I would, therefore, prier to post-pone the audit until some additional public business would bring me to the locality; or until it would be known whether Trim is to be included in my future official district. It is necessary under the Local Government Act to give twenty days' notice of a borough audit, and if that notice were now given it is probable, or at least possible, that before its expiration I might be unable to attend officially, in consequence of the contemplated re-arrangement of the Auditors' districts. As far, however, as personal considerations are concerned, I shall willingly torego them, and cause notice of the audit to be published at

once, if you consider that I should do so. I have the honour to be, centlemen.

Your most obedient servant, R Sturus Anditor

To the Local Government Board, Dublin,

## No. 8.—LETTER from the SECRETARY of the TREASURY.

Treasury Chambers, 9th November, 1872.

My Lords and Gentlemen.

With reference to Mr. Banks' letter of the 27th September last, and to the resolution of your Board passed at the meeting held on the 25th of that month and communicated with that letter, I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to acquaint you that they have given their most careful attention to the subject of the settlement of the staff of your department, and that after communication with the Irish Government they are pleased to sanction the arrangement proposed to them, viz., that the Inspectors, Auditors, clerks, messengers, and servants of the late Poor Law Board now acting as such officers should be appointed to be the Inspectors, Auditors, clerks, messengers, and servants respectively in the service of your Board.

As regards the appointment of an additional Auditor I am to state that having regard to your representation that owing to the largely increased duties of the office the present number of the Auditors, viz., five, is inadequate for the due performance of such duties, their lordships are pleased to approve of the appointment of an additional Auditor.

The proposal, however, to give a salary of £700 per annum each to the six Auditors without further allowance either for personal expenses or travelling appears to their lordships to be open to this objection. At present, as my lords understand the question, the five Auditors receive £600 per annum each out of the vote of Parliament for the duty of auditing the accounts of unions, the remaining portion of their emoluments being derived from payments for auditing the accounts of asylums and towns, which are not defrayed from public funds. If then, the six Auditors are to receive £700 per annum each without qualification and without any other remuneration the result will be that their Government salary will over duties not rendered to Government and the charge upon public funds for their pensions will also be increased, to which my lords are not prepared to consent. If then, your payonal is to be acceded to, it must be on one of the following conditions:—

1st. That the sum of £3,000 should continue to be included in the votes to provide for the salaries of five Auditors at £600 a year each, the remaining £100 a year to these five, and the salary of the new Auditor,

£700, being met from the funds of asylums and towns; or, 2ndly. That the sum of £3,000 should be held to cover the Govern-

analy. That his sum of 25,000 another to hear to cover the covernment salary of six Auditors at £500 each, the remaining £200 being provided from the local funds above mentioned.

Their locations have very carefully considered your request for sanc-

tion to the appointment of a private secretary to the Vice-President at a salary of £150 per annum, but they do not see that any necessity has been shown for this appointment, especially having in view that the present staff of the department appears sufficiently large for all purposes,

With regard to the proposal to make the Chief Clork of the late Poc-Law Board Secretary to your department with a salary of £1,000 instead of the £800 per annum which he now receives, I am to acquaint you that in their lerdshire' opinion they not only have no authority, under the Act 35 & 30 Vic. c. 69, to create such an office as that of screenary, but that they are positively debarred from so doing.

They must therefore decline to assent to that proposal and to the promotion of Mr. Barber.

I have the honour to be, my lords and gentlemen,

Your obedient servant, WILLIAM LAW.

No. 4.—LETTER from the LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD to the

Local Government Board, Dublin, 12th November, 1872.

The Local Government Board for Ireland acknowledge the receipt

of Mr. Law's letter of the 9th instant, announcing that the Lorda Commissioners of Her Migerty's Texasury sanction the arrangement proposed in the Local Government Board's minute of the 95th September last, appointing the Importers, Auditors, clerks, messengers, and servants of the last Poor Law Board to be the Inspectors, Auditors, clerks, messengers, and servants of the Local Government Board, and at the same time communicating their Lordships' spproval of the appointment of an additional Auditor.

With regard to the proposed salary of \$700 per annum for each of the six Auditors, the Local Government Board accept the latter of the two alternative conditions on which their Lordships' approval is granted, as a the condition which is most in accordance with the terms of the six as the condition consistency of the six of the six of the six of the property what was intended by the Board Acc, and which carries out most explained by the accompanying lattern.

With regard to the fille of Secretary, which it was proposed to confer on the present Chief Clerk, transferring the later title to the present Senior Clerk of the first class, Mr. Borber, the Local Government Board did not with to be understood as proposing the creation of a now office, but merely the adoption of a title for their first officer which appeared to them more befitting the department as now constituted. The proposed additional salary was in consideration of the higher responsibility and great additional labour develving on the Chief Clerk, and the Senior Glerk from the new duty devolving on the department, and they regret that their Lordships have not been pleased to approve these proposals.

By order of the Board,

To the Secretary, Treasury, London.

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No. 5.—Letter from the Secretary of the Treasury.

Treasury Chambers, 18th November, 1872.
My Lords and Gentlemen,

I am communded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majestry, Tensury to sequisity oval the thir Lordships neep lossed, in accordance with your recommendation expressed in Mr. Bankel letter of the 12th which was the second of the commission of the commission of the work for your department to six Anditions, at the state of 2500 a year each; and that there such instead of to five Auditions at £500 a year each; and that there are pleased to smartle one of Auditor receiving £200 a year earl of local feach in addition to the annual £500, upon the understanding that the feach in addition to the annual £500, upon the understanding that the charges.

Their Lordships will shortly address a further communication to you on the question of supernanuation, referred to in Mr. Banks' letter of the 27th September last (5 M. '72).

I am, my lords and gentlemen, Your obedient servant.

WILLIAM TAW.

The Local Government Board, Dublin.

No. 6.—Further Letter from the Secretary of the Treasury.

Treasury Chambers,

MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN, 10th December, 1872.

With reference to Mr. Banks' letter of the 28th ultimo, and previous correspondence, I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of

Her Mijesty's Transmy to acquaint you that they are pleased to anaction proposed of the fill unlary of £70° at years one of the first Auditors of your department out of the vote for your department out of the vote for your Deard, upon the understanding that there will be collected from Deal sources a sum of not feet state that they will be collected from Deal sources a sum of not feet state and allowances, which will be calculated upon the whole salary, minus a deduction on account of expresses.

Their Londships are pleased to authorize you to receive the amounts

which will be so collected, and to pay them into the Exchequer as extrareceipts.

I am,
My lords and gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
WILLIAM LAW

To the Local Government Board, Dublin.



### APPENDIX D.

TABLES CONNECTED WITH POOR RELIEF AND EXPENDITURE.

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No. 1.—A RETURN (in pursuance of the 29th Section of the Act 10 Vio., c. 31) of the and Out of the Workhouse, together with the Recurrs in each Unror in Indiana, for Charities, Registration, Sanitary, Burial Grounds, and Superannuation Acts, and Pary 1.—Return showing the Receipts and Evandium.

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PROVINCE OF LEINSTER. Carlow.	£ 8.755	£	£	£	2 934	2 3.810	£	ż	£	E	
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KILDARE. Athy, Celbridge, Nass,	6,456 4,638 6,135	- 13	550 479 687	- 57 18	7,011 5,167 6,793	2,474 1,714 3,008	1,383 884 1,589	34 37 68	809 829 976	6.22 6.22 6.23 962	
KILKERRY. Callan, Castlecomer, Kilkenny, Thomastown, Urlingford,	5,87± 3,417 10,100 3,420 9,722	- 8	387 310 691 318 293	1 16 181 70 16	6,215 3,756 11,123 3,808 3,011	2,550 1,443 5,171 1,936 1,912	837 782 1,969 391 316	39 15 25 16	764 661 1,457 660 500	725 328 1,647 178 167	
Krwe's Co. Edenderry, Parsonstown, Tullamore,	2,880 3,841 4,539	25	451 507 665	39 38 293	8,870 4,414 0,579	1,598 2,575 2,005	399 9 1,178	38 68 46	610 676 904	304 62-	
Loverond. Ballymakon, . Granard. Longfool,	2,440 5,863 4,389	2 18 90	206 451 298	18 27 35	9,790 5,969 1,662	1,239 2,042 2,294	210 1,730	36 6 25	604 608	35A 641 614	
Ardee, Drogheds,	6,007 8,507 5,126	- n	509 563 507	17 49 56	8,661 9,100 8,700	2,501 3,007 2,110	1,773 2,075 1,135	33 63 11	728 85% 779	245 1,602	
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Queen's Co. Abbeyleix, Donaghmare, Mountmellick,	3,856 9,673 7,735	- 17 50	405 203 374	14 29 114	3,075 2,622 8,477	1,013 1,035 3,296	695 145 1,452	55 1 61	627 593 973	723 611	
Westmearn. Athlone, Delvin, Mullingue,	4,449 2,816 5)162	31 5 2	587 949 595	158 111	5,214 2,702 6,570	2,419 1,176 3,150	923 135 134	10 5 108	796 653 1,133	923 200 1,083	
WEEFORD. Engiscorthy, Gorey. New Boss, Wexford,	6,314 3,935 7,312 7,332	6 16 12 9	5%5 3%9 506 610	- 16 5 42	6,005 4,056 8,035 7,003	2,307 2,381 4,014 4,05	1,653 180 1,561 1,501	65 2 54 193	807 643 794	940 942 973 973	
Wicklow, Bultingless, Rathdrum, Shillelegh,	4,500 6,638 4,456	17 61 12	410 661 207	46 78	8,979 7,999 4,765	2,658 2,850 1,976	1,874 1,866 111	59	780 827 531	714 141 346	
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	,		21,449	1,316	253,563	141,923	35,397	2,466	37,200	25,678	
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PROVINGE OF LEINSTER CARLOW.	s. d. 1 44	s. d. 1 24	£ 160,193	£ 10,518	£	£	£	£	£ 1,461	£ 8,940
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KILDANE, Athy. Celbridge. Negs.	1 58 0 164 1 1	0 112 0 63 0 103	109,181 114,004 158,263	7,114 6,670 8,265	=	538 15	11 112 89	65 63 163	1,528 931 1,236	0,871 5/42 6/67
Kilkenst. Callen. Castlerener. Kilkenny. Thomastown. Urlingford.	1 7± 2 4 2 15 1 3 1 4±	1 41 1 112 1 11 1 01 1 12	73,465 32,368 100,894 65,895 63,476	5,915 3,764 10,803 4,156 3,197		92 92 93	35 17 27 15 1	44 37 70 42 90	592 518 1,027 505 505	4,543 1,392 1,692 2,603 2,044
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Wicklow, Baltinglass, Rathdrum, Shillelegh,	1 51 12	1 34 0 11 1 24	78,720 133,069 50,617	5,673 7,746 3,546	- 31	1	277	42 10 40	735 1,312 462	4,685 6,457 1,683
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Lerrare, Cero-blen, Manorismilton Mohill,	3,199 1,975 3,992	1 11	385 725 035	37 93 97	8,61F; 2,000 4,346	1,739 873 1,383	120	40 50	604 611 660	815 967 463
Maro. Ballina, Ballina, Ballina, Ballina, Caniloha, Chremeria, Kili is, Nawpori, twinsford, Westpori,	2,448 8,214 1,648 9,541 2,541 1,561 1,561 1,561 8,769 8,768	10 27 3 21 24 	911 411 200 207 207 201 213 419 203	25 22 10 11 - 11	9,929 3,6+1 9,150 1,755 9,5 (N 1,010 1,050 3,3 (N 8,647	1,073 2,119 581 1,018 6:0 536 1,917 1,005	36 191 60 330 145 175 13 193 5	15 00 10 10	8% 609 061 490 491 200 470 670 842	200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200
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Stree. Dromore, West Ago. Toberourry,	1,794 8,971 1,938	14 1	904 678 943	34 70	1,361 6,513 2,302	477 9,718 634	60 R+2 330	216 16 40	565 Bros 200	361 1,0 4
Total, 1879,	62,531	357	10,007	613	97,85%	40,007	6,832	541	15,845	11,540
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			29,994	1,817	102,525	12,230	19,408	7,196	\$4,989	\$7,700	
Mussian, .	215,029		22,055	1,379	258,997	149,011	22,402	3,844	29,613	33,465	ŀ
LRIBERTEN, .	103,592	660	22,914	1,600	316,668	147,103	40,787	2,750	59,733	40,518	
CONNAUGER, .			10,637	613	93,658	60.337	0,532	543	15,943	11,610	ŀ
Total, [ 1572.	748,695	2,221	73,811	5,000	830.33H	401,840	89,477	5,313	224,180	116,651	١
IRELAND,   1871,	770,054	1,963	71,714	4,718	817,400	338.000	09,744	7.228		169,506	١
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No. 2.-Charmpidation of Persons relieved in the Union Workhouses in IBBLAND, during the Year ended 29th September, 1872.

Chazen of Persons Relieved in the Weckhouses.	No. in the Half-year ended 25th Narrh, 1879.	No. to the Half-year ended fith September, 1872.
ABLE-BODIED AND THEIR CHILDREN.	,	
Married Couples, Males, .	2,084	8,293
Adults,	2,064	2,291
3 Other Males,	29,153	29,240
Other Females,	24,268	26,612
5 Children under 15, of Able- Illegitimate,	8,847	8,857
8   bodied Immates, Other Children,	13,164	15,156
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NOT ABLE-BODIES.		
7 Males, .	518	576
8 Married Couples, Females, .	518	576
9 Adults, Other Males,	21,068	23,278
Other Females,	18,190	19,880
11 Chil- Of Parents not able.   Illegitimate,	642	713
12 Chil- dren bodied being Immates Other Children, .	1,683	2,037
13 orphans, or other Children, relieved without Farents,	9,812	10,019
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LUNATICS, INSANS PERSONS, AND IDSONS.	l	
14 Adult Males,	1,239	1,313
15 Adult Females,	1,579	1,650
16 Children under 15,	115	100
17 Total number of Males,	54,082	56,695
18 Do. Females,	46,639	51,054
19 Do, Children under 15,	34,263	38,423
		146,175

Nos. 2, 3.]

No. 3.—Classification of Persons relieved out of the Workhouses in Unions in Instant, during the Year ended 29th September, 1872, including Persons relieved in Blind and Deaf and Dumb Asylums.

_		Number in the Half-year	Number in the
	Classes of Potsum Relieved.	ended 25th March, 1872.	Half-year ended 29th Sept., 1972.
17 25 31	Blind Persons maintained in Asylums, { Males, Females, Deaf and Dumb Persons maintained in Asylums, Males,	78 148 173	86 145 181
43	Dear and Dumb Persons maintained in Asylums, { Females, Total	135	136
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21)	(Children under 15,	41 10	38 5
	Total,	42,819	43,545
22	PERSONS RELIEVED UNDER 10 VIC., C. 31, NOT RELIEVABLE UNDER SEC. 1. Adult Males, married or single, relieved on account of want of work.		
23 }	Families of Adult Males under ( Wives	=	-
25 /	heading 22, Children under 15, Able-bodied (Unmarried,	-	1
26 (		=	- 1
27 2	Children of Women under headings ( Legitimate, 25 and 26, Illegitimate,	- 1	- 1
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197	Families relieved without Husband or Father.		_
205		-	-
31 }	Husband or Father on service ( Wives, in Army or Navy, ) Children under 15.	- 1	-
33)	in Army or Navy, Children under 15,		
34 5	Descried by Husband or Father, (Wives, Children ander 15, Orphant and oblideen reliand)	-	
38	Number of persons relieved provisionally, and not included	-	9
	in the foregoing columns,	769	1,036
	Total,	769	1,008
37	Orphans or Deserted Children out at Nurse under sec. 9 of 25 and 28 Vic., c. 83,	1,720	1,760
	Grand Total.	45,308	46,313

No. 4.—Sunklay of Expunse from Clerks of Unions, showing for each Privices, and for all Ireland, the Number of Persons admitted to the Workhaudering the year ceded 29th September, 1872, distinguishing the Number admitted in Sickness; also the Number of Births and Deaths in the Workhauses during the year.

	1 3	Number of	Persons a	dmitted der	ing the Year.		4	Work
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Ularea, .	1,267	4,003	497	10,760	83,233	44,008	543	2,68
MINISTER, .	4,411	15,289	781	20,451	85,707	86,188	685	4,150
Leinster, .	2,197	18,302	750	16,849	56,395	75,244	609	3,33
CONNACCRT, .	. 774	3,854	312	4,440	9,893	14,328	115	1,02
Toral,	10,249	\$9,970	2,340	52,509	137,239	189,746	1,953	11,70

No. 6.—SUMMARY of RETURNS showing for each Province, and for all Ireland, the Number of Sick Persons who received Medical treatment in the Workhosse Hospitals and Pever Hospitals, during the year ended 29th September, 1872.

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<b>Ометел</b> , .	233	2,019	71	2,855	2,814	12,407	532	15,783	8,076	14,426	603	16,165
MUNITER, .	293	4,713	144	5,182	6,252	24,095	1,011	21,356	6,541	28,808	1,855	36,533
Luxeres, .	232	4,912	78	5,263	3,812	12,590	861	27,263	4,044	27,845	939	30,858
CONSADSST, .	55	1,621	51	1,587	1,046	6,318	373	7,539	1,101	7,949	426	9,47
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## APPENDIX E.

## TABULAR RETURNS IN CONNEXION WITH RELIEF UNDER THE MEDICAL CHARITIES ACT.

[Norse.—Buths rotes of Tables, the Universe are classed in the Germine and Portrices in which the striff or extented laws of the respective Universe is classes; it can long of the Butherine of the score than one County or Province. The total of Population and Area of the Universe in the respective Counties and Province, a strength of laws Fallow, will not in the refrequency and the communities of Counties and Province, a strength of laws Fallow, will not in therefore, many out this communities of Districts is married (No. 9), showing the name of the Universe in which code Districts is stitute, and arcticing to the total on pages in Width the Sparticeless relation to used Districts or take Small.]

STATEMENT of ALTERATIONS in DISPENSARY DISPERSARY DISPERSORS in Unions in Ireland (arranged in Provinces and Counties) according to the Orders issued in pursuance of sea, 6 of 14 and 15 'via, cap, 63 - (since the completion of Table No. 1, Appendix D, in 25th Annual Report of Poor Law Commissioners.)

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Name of Union.	NAMES OF DISPESSABLY DISPESSABLY	No. of Bleetoral Dixtigues in each	Popula- tion: 1861.	Area ; in Statute Acros.	Pose Low Value- tion,	No. of Members of Committee of Management.	No. of Mellos! Officers authorised by Sealed Order.	Number of Apothogaries.	Number of Midwires.	Date of Order.
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COUNTY OF DUNFARAGABY, GLENTIES,	Crossreads, Dungles, Glentles, Carrick, Ardara, Killybega, Deocharry, Ardera,	1635544	5,078 6,844 7,824 5,839	51,983 43,224 43,501 44,763 22,597 49,891	3,357 2,842 4,288 4,181	15	1		1111111	10th Jan., 1873.
INISHOWEN, .	Buneram, .	-		-		15		- 2	1	13th March, 1873, 11th Dec., 1872.
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.	Traine, Do., Do., Kilgobban, Castlemaine,	11 22 8	1.188	57,731 10,416 18,199	30,947 1,988 4,580	1 62 13 14		11111	11111	28th May, 1872. 10th July, 1872. } 18th Nov., 1872.
KILHALLOCK, .	Charleville, .	-	-	-	-	31	-	-	-	3rd June, 1072.
COUNTY OF W.	Kilmakavege, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	Sth October, 1872.
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STATEMENT Of ALTERATIONS in DISPENSARY DISTRICTS-continued.

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DESCRIPTION, .			-	-		-	_	-	1	20th Peb., 1872.
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	Multyfaruliam,	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	18th Oct., 1872.
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	Corrigallon, .	-	-	-	-	15	-	-	-	6th May, 1072.
COUNTY OF BOYLE, .	Roscoumon. Ballyfarnau, .	2	-	-	-	-	- 1	-	-	lst April, 1072.

SUMMARY OF DISPENSARY DISPRICTS, ACCORDING TO TABLE No. 1, APPENDIX D. OF PREVIOUS REPORTS, AS ALTERED BY THE FOREGOING TABLE MADE UP TO THE 25th MARCH, 1873.

PROTINCIA,	Num- ber of Unions,	Number of Dispensary Districts.	Number of Electoral Divasors.	Papulation : 1864.	Area: in Statute Acres.	Poor Law Valuation, 18th Sopt., 1872.	Number of Metical Different, mathemical by Squied Onger.	Number of Apathe- caries,	Number of Mil- mites.
Ulever, Munster, Leinster, Connaught,	40 44 29 50	213 204 203 99	875 1,923 944 396	1,907,264 1,538,877 1,483,009 869,414	5,316,689 6,005,403 4,940,319 4,050,233	4,048,863 3,388,920 4,554,231 1,357,848	234 228 229 113	3 19 11 6	69 28 85 17
Total, .	163	719	3,438	5,798,564	20,322,843	18,829,334	804	38	193







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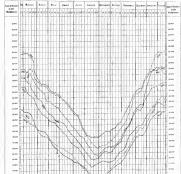
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